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The 'Pretty Face' of a Frightening Phenomenon

By Jean Perry

If the unusually warm weather brought you outdoors during the days around this Christmas and New Year's, either in your own yard or walking up the sidewalk, you may have noticed a myriad of curious sights: green, green grass; hearty winter viburnum and cherry trees blossoming; Johnny-Jump Ups and daffodils pushing up through the ground; and lavender lilacs in bloom. Even some rhododendrons and azaleas flowered while still strung with Christmas lights, an unusual juxtaposition.

In the dead of winter, nature was coming into life in the Tri-Town region – and beyond. Christmas Day temperatures reached the lower 60s, preceded and followed by days of spring-like 50-degree weather.

Take this week's cover of *The Wanderer,* for example. Although viburnum is known to bloom throughout autumn, this particularly warm fall, followed by an above-average mild December, kept some of these trees from reaching total dormancy and to reawaken instead to bloom out another round of flowers into the New Year. A series of cold days and biting frosts will eventually render the viburnum dormant; however, other types of flowering vegetation such as the cherry tree, sweetbay magnolia, and the lilac operate on an energy budget of sorts, and the warmer weather has caused some of these trees to expend too much energy too early in the growing season.

It is not entirely uncommon anymore for fall-flowering trees to perpetuate their bloom into the winter, said local arborist Paul Sellers, who is also the senior arborist for Eversource, but how quickly it turns cold and how cold it becomes will determine how the trees will perform in springtime.

"Generally, when we experience a warm fall season, like we did this year, plants start to flower prematurely," said Sellers during a phone interview. "Generally, it's not a full bloom that you get. Rather, a limited bloom happens."

When the temperatures change, Sellers said, the cold kills off the foliage of the prematurely blossoming trees.

The result is fewer blooms in the spring.

One may wonder if is there anything that can be done to save the trees so they will still burst with blooms in the spring. Yes and no, said Sellers.

"Mulching is actually one of the best buffers for keeping the root system safe and secure," Sellers said, "even through the winter months."

It keeps the important root zone moist, which could help prevent further desiccation and vulnerability to root damage causing more of a negative impact next spring on blooming trees.

If you want to try to take action to help your trees after an early bloom, Sellers said it is still not too late to mulch around your trees and gardens, but hold off on using fertilizer until you have the soil analyzed by a professional.

"If you over fertilize, you can actually do more harm than good," said Sellers. "It is worthwhile to have the soil testing done, and it's best to have a professional

On the Cover: *A viburnum tree on North Street in Mattapoisett continues to bloom on New Year's Eve day after an unseasonably warm fall and start to winter, creating an unusual juxtaposition against a still-hanging Christmas ornament in the background. The day marked the end of the region's warmest December on record according to the NOAA. Photo by Jean Perry*

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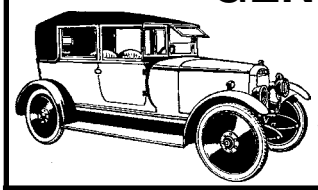

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The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) deemed this December to be the warmest on record. Just about 12,000 daily warm temperature records were broken this month from the plains east to the coast where warm weather records were figuratively shattered. Furthermore, climatologists expect that NOAA, in 2016, will report the year 2015 as the warmest year globally ever recorded.

A record warm for Mattapoisett, Marion, and Rochester doesn't attract a whole lot of climate change attention nationally, so we generally rely on evidence such as the December daffodils and tree blossoms – what I kind of consider to be the "prettier face" of the frightening phenomenon of climate change on the local Tri-Town level– to tell us that things are changing around here. It was a different kind of December than what we are used to.

Record Numbers Take the New Year's Plunge

By Marilou Newell

There were more people on Mattapoisett's Town Beach on New Year's Day morning than on a hot summer's day in the middle of July. And whether the beachgoers were there to plunge into the 47-degree ocean water or there to support the swimmers and the event,

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everyone was in a party mood.

The fourth annual New Year's Day Polar Plunge called "Freezin' for a Reason" supports cancer victims and their families.

The impetus for this annual campaign was the Huggins' own experience with the crushing financial burden that can come with a life-threatening illness. When Will Huggins became ill, they received financial assistance from the BAM Foundation, a local fundraising group that provides financial assistance to individuals and families dealing with cancer. The assistance that BAM gave to the Huggins' helped keep them afloat until Will could get back on his feet, literally. Now they are giving back with support from the community and others both near and far.

The day before the big event, a tent was erected complete with a heater to warm the crowd. Will and a couple of his helpers delivered fuel to the beach for the big bonfire that would be blazing to warm up the party-

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goers before, during, and after the plunge. The prep team even cleaned the beach of seaweed.

The chilly morning to follow would find local eateries donating hot chocolate and coffee, cups of chowder, and one venue opened its doors for an after party from which a portion of the proceeds would be donated to the cause.

Everything was in full swing by 11:00 am.

The call for self-expression in the form of inventive beachwear was heeded with folks showing up in custom swimming suits. There was a group donning yellow cubes and singing, "We all live in a yellow submarine," while snaking through the crowd. In real life they were Mat and Russell Luiz, Charles and Laura Buckley, Jean and Scott Pease, and Karen Barrows.

There was a unicorn, several Santas, some corals, and lots of bare skin shivering in the weak sunlight. There were also a rather surprising number of children who were there for more than the fun.

Nine-year-old Scott Falvey was in attendance with about 20 members of his extended family to jump in the water in memory of his Papa Fagan. The elder Fagan was a cancer victim, but on this day his joyful family was lovingly remembering him by helping others. The family team also included Maryellen Fagan, Mark Falvey, Kaitlyn Popson, and Scott Falvey, to name a few.

There were veterans and first-timers queuing up as the clock neared noontime.

Andy Pacheco of New Bedford was a "virgin" plunger, his wife Amanda a cancer survivor.

"I decided, 'why not,'" she said with a sly smile while poking her husband.

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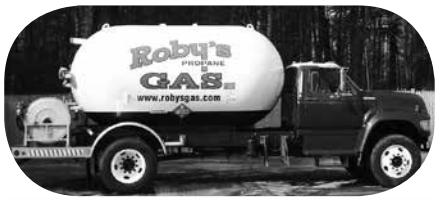

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Cheryl Makuch, Mattapoisett, was jumping in to show support for her friend who is battling cancer. Eight-year-old Hunter Horsey of Marion, a first-timer, was going in for his step-brother, while ten-year-old Caleb Miconi of Attleboro, also a first-timer, had been convinced by his mother to try it out.

Marlene East, Marion, her daughter Kate Houdelette, and granddaughters Liz, 9, and Caroline, 7, formed a three-generation team.

"I wanted to give them something fun to remember me by," East laughingly declared.

Carol Lamarr, a veteran of the event said, "I do this to start the year out fresh … to cleanse my mind and body."

Cathy, Karl, and Austin Spooner, another family team, called it a "crazy thing to do," but one they looked forward to sharing.

Tom Waldron, Mattapoisett, and his twin 9-year-old sons, Tom and Liam, were going in for the second year in a row and hoped to make it an annual event for their family.

Chris Souza, Fairhaven, called himself a professional plunger, doing several winter swims in support of those dealing with cancer.

"It's on my bucket list every year," Cindy Bernier declared, while Maureen McQuillian said she was participating in support of everyone who has fought the fight, especially her mother and several friends.

After the splashing, laughing, and screaming had subsided, Michelle Huggins said, "I made 500 prayer ribbons, and I think at least 100 people actually went in the water."

Prayer ribbons had been handed out to everyone entering the beach and a line was strung so that those wishing to could tie the ribbon to the line and send their prayers into the heavens.

Huggins said they wouldn't know for about a week how much money had been raised as they waited

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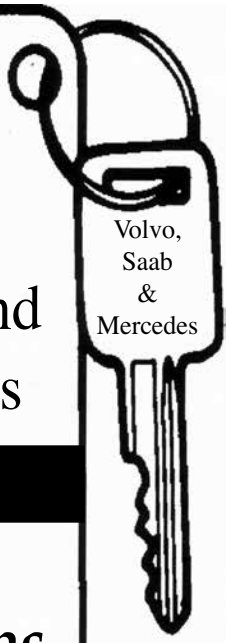

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for a tally from their GoFundMe website and from commercial establishments donating a portion of their proceeds. She said that last year they were able to help six families.

"My husband works with a local social worker who identifies families struggling with financial hardships associated with unforeseen costs from cancer treatments," Huggins stated. With the help of the social worker, the money collected is distributed. This year, she hopes they can do even more. And if the turnout from the 2016 event is any measure, the Huggins' dream of helping as many people as possible seems to be coming true.

Ocean Adventures

This Mattapoisett Life

By Marilou Newell

As the cold air of winter finally arrives, it's fun to think about what seems like yesterday, last summer. With that as the prologue, here's a warm summertime suspense story.

The tide was thundering, rolling, pushing towards the shore as only the most powerful force on earth can, other than gravity. Water, it should be respected.

I, however, was determined to immerse myself into the saltwater therapy I had looked forward to all day. I fought my way into that warm ocean water. The wind was at a steady blow adding to the wave action. Wind and water, a mighty combination that has been known to wear down mountains, never mind one small human. But there I was and there they were: the water, the wind and, oh yeah, the windsurfers.

The weather conditions were perfect for the windsurfers. I counted five sails on the horizon in Buzzards Bay outside Mattapoisett Harbor. There were an additional three fast approaching sails heading towards the tiny strip of beach at Ned's Point and directly towards me. I can only imagine how insignificant, invisible even, I was as I bobbed there in between the swells.

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And here they came, the windsurfers with such speed I thought for sure they would land on my tiny head clad in a bright green baseball cap. I struggled and fought swell after massive swell trying to make way for the surfers. The advancing tidal surge kept me treading water and nothing more. Soon the windsurfers surrounded me on all sides before I could move out of the way.

If you've ever faced what you've believed is an accidental ending of your meniscal and tenuous hold on being alive, then you'll understand my immense relief at surviving a near beheading.

It was time to move out of their way. But where was I to go and how was I to get there? With the water pushing shoreward and northeast to the contour of the land, I made no headway at all. Failing that, I determined I should go with the flow, away from the lighthouse and head towards the private beach. Surely I'd be out of harm's way over there.

Moving in that direction was easy, the ocean wanted all in its path to go that way. But I had no sooner removed myself from the windsurfer's path and into what I had concluded would be safer waters when I realized that the submerged rocks were an entirely new threat.

I was smashed and cast hither and yon across the razor sharp edges of massive unseen monsters covered with barnacles. My ankles were cut, then both knees

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crashed against those unforgiving surfaces. First one knee then the other, in quick rotation, suffered lacerations and the delicate venerable kneecaps instantly sent out warning shots. I was too shocked to feel fear and too absorbed in trying to figure out how to save myself from possibly far worse injury. My internal dialogue went something like, "OK, you are in trouble now kid. What's the fix?" I elected to use my bodacious booty, aka, back side, aka, butt, with its layers of padding as that part of my body I could sacrifice for the survival of the total personage. It could take a bouncing across rocks better then my aging knees.

I rode the tide towards shore keeping my feet in front of my body in a seated position, using my arms as rudders to keep from twisting right or left and being pitched face first into the water. I rode that tide all the way in with both knees and one ankle bleeding, but delighted to find only superficial wounds. When I finally was able to stand up, I was in a mere six inches of seawater. I smiled looking skyward then left to right to see if anyone had witnessed my folly. None were found.

I walked the shoreline back to the small public beachhead. Not a single person seemed to notice me at all. I could have drowned and no one would have been the wiser until … but I didn't drown and I hadn't broken a bone.

Returning to the water via the public beach I thought, "Windsurfers need to watch out for me, not the other way around."

As I was meditating on this thought, a windsurfer came dashing at high speed towards my little melon pitching into the chop next to me at the last possible moment. He smiled and said, "I saw you from way out. That hat is bright." He couldn't have imagined how hard I had tried to stay out of his way not more than a few minutes earlier. I laughed and thanked him for being careful of swimmers. He said, "Oh, most of us watch out for swimmers here, but not all of us are careful, so don't be complacent." Complacent!? Nah, not me.

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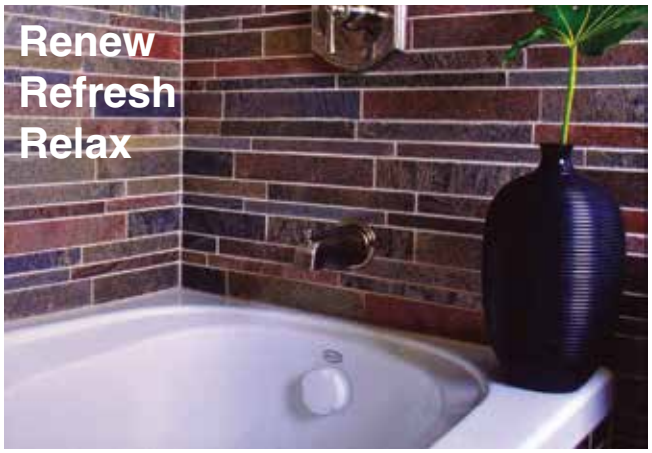

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COA Ushers in an Early New Year

By Jean Perry

Partygoers at the Rochester Senior Center on December 31 flaunted that it is never too early in the day to celebrate New Year's Eve, and it's never too late to make a change with a few New Year's resolutions.

Seniors from all over Tri-Town filled the banquet room at the senior center on Dexter Lane this past Thursday to say goodbye to 2015 and hello to 2016, even if there were still another ten or so hours left until the official start of the New Year.

While guests enjoyed live music and a hot

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luncheon together to celebrate the ending of one year and the start of a fresh new one, volunteers were busy helping to clean up while Sharon and Woody Hartley prepared the dessert in the kitchen, heaping servings of bread pudding onto plates for Council on Aging volunteers to pass out.

Once the cookies and cakes were eaten, enough punch had been consumed, and the bread pudding went down in gastronomical history, COA Director Sharon Lally took the microphone to the center of the room, reminded her senior guests that New Year's Eve meant it was time to make resolutions for the New Year, and called out, "Who's got a resolution?"

"In with the new, out with the old, right?" Lally encouraged her guests to speak out and share their aspirations for the New Year.

Some shouted out, "To get rid of the junk in the house!" Others said they were generally going to try to be a better person, and a few vowed to shed those extra pounds this year. Yet it was Peggy Brown who had her own idea for the perfect New Year's diet, and a few others seemed to like the sound of it.

"I'm going to lose 20 more pounds," said Brown, patting her belly, "with a special diet of whipped cream, ice cream…"

Lally liked the sound of that.

"Sounds like my type of diet," joked Lally.

Winnie Hartley, 96, the "most senior of us in the room," as Lally put it, said her resolution was to get up in the morning and take care of herself, adding, "And not be a pain in the butt!"

Lally traveled around the room, giving turns with the mike as more guests hoped to become more organized in 2016, not argue so much with their families, and lose that weight.

Sandie DeMoranville had an entirely different idea for her New Year's resolution, vowing to find a suitable beau for her granddaughter.

"She's tall and very beautiful and single," said

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"Well, I don't think she'll find him in this room," replied Lally smiling.

Some simply wished for a milder winter than last year's all-time snowiest year on record, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, as outside temperatures that day reached the low 60s in Tri-Town.

Lally said the COA had a few resolutions of its own.

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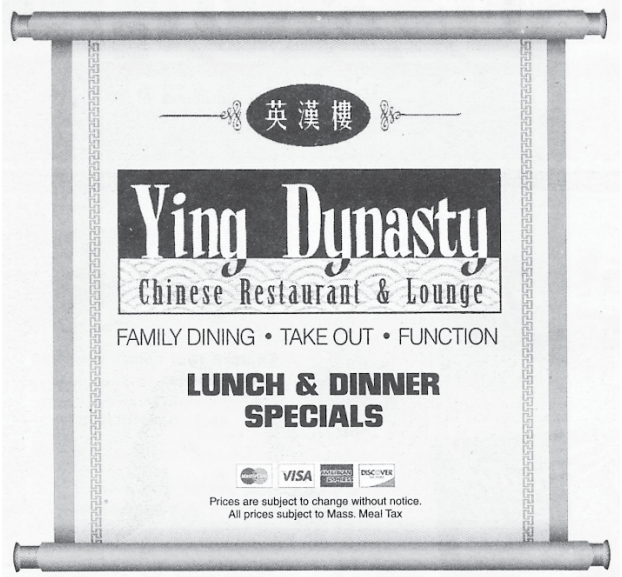

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She said, perhaps 2015 wasn't one of the better years to go down in history, but she left guests with one final hopeful thought for 2016:

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Selectmen Say 'Hi' to New Personnel Board

Rochester Board of Selectmen

By Jean Perry

Three new people have been appointed to the Rochester Personnel Board since the resignation of that board's three members just after the 2015 Annual Town Meeting, when voters rejected an article crafted by the board that would have altered the Town's Employee Compensation Plan.

On January 4, the Rochester Board of Selectmen met with two of the new members to discuss the Personnel Board's main task – coming up with a way to save the town money by changing the conditions of the employee step increase policy.

"We just wanted to say 'hi,'" Board of Selectmen Chairman Richard Nunes told Alan Boling and Christopher Peck. Third member Jean Armstrong was not present.

Town Administrator Michael McCue talked of an upcoming yet-to-be-scheduled first meeting of the newly reconstituted board, which will also include Highway Department employee Harrison Harding as a non-voting employee representative.

"I already have my suggestions, my thoughts, on how things should be rewritten," said McCue. Other duties of the board, he said, would be hearing grievances and acting as an arbitrator, collecting and reviewing employee evaluations, and deciding on the annual three-percent wage step increase for non-union employees covered under the Employee Compensation Plan.

The plan currently allows certain employees to advance a step each year based on merit, but not beyond step number 10, the maximum, which Nunes said most often takes employees only 10 years to reach.

The comp plan, said Selectman Naida Parker, was established with the intent of making employee pay competitive with other surrounding towns, because, at one time, Rochester's compensation was significantly lower.

"That has changed, so now, not only are we competitive," said Parker, but in many cases, she continued, Rochester's compensation is higher. Now, she said, the suggestion is to eventually eliminate the compensation plan and simply hire all employees at a competitive rate, relying on annual cost of living pay increases instead of the steps.

Nunes recapitulated the board's consensus that an employee compensation plan step policy should be slowed to an extent so that employees would not max-out in just 10 years. He said, on the federal level, an employee comp plan might be slowed down, for example, to every two years upon reaching step five, and then, upon reaching step seven, the remaining steps would be attainable every three years.

"So instead of maxing-out in ten years … you max-out in eighteen," Nunes said.

Other towns' employees of this category, pointed out Selectman Brad Morse, are unionized. "We want to avoid that if we can," said Morse. Boling concurred.

"That's a good thing to avoid if you can," said Boling. "If you can keep it non-unionized, that's better for everyone."

The Personnel Board will meet for the first time within the next two weeks.

In other matters, McCue wants residents to know

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that the 2016 trash and recycling schedule has been posted to the website in several easy-to-find locations, in light of several inquiries as to when the schedule would be mailed to residents.

The board briefly discussed codifying the Town's bylaws in anticipation of an article in an upcoming special town meeting requesting up to $10,000 to pay for the service. McCue said the Town probably would not need the entire amount, but a little contingency money is a good thing.

McCue asked selectmen to think about some questions they might want to ask residents in a pop-up survey he hopes to add to the website – questions other than the ones pertaining to the town hall annex he plans to ask. Selectmen will discuss the matter at a later date.

The next meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen is scheduled for **January 11** at 6:30 pm at the Rochester Town Hall.

Selectman Will Not Seek Reelection

Marion Board of Selectmen

By Jean Perry

Marion Selectman Jonathan Henry announced on January 5 that he would not be seeking reelection in 2016, saying it was with a heavy heart that he informed the residents of Marion of his decision.

Henry, who has served 12 years on the Board of Selectmen, said his departure was entirely positive, and he encouraged others that may be inclined to do so to run for his seat on the board.

"It was a difficult decision," he said, but after four terms on the board and a 70th birthday just this past New Year's Day, Henry said it was time to move on to enjoy "whatever time allocated to me from the great beyond."

Henry thanked the citizens of Marion for having given him the chance to serve for so long, and he thanked his fellow selectmen for working so well together with him. However, he added, "I'm not going away, so don't think you're getting rid of me."

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"I certainly have enjoyed my seven years [with you]," said Board of Selectmen Chairman Stephen Cushing.

Selectman Jody Dickerson told Henry, "We might not always agree, but we've been complete gentlemen."

Also during the meeting, the board appointed Adam Murphy as full-time assistant harbormaster/shellfish officer to assist recently promoted Harbormaster Isaac Perry.

Before the appointment of assistant harbormaster/shellfish officer, Police Chief Lincoln Miller asked the selectmen for a technical appointment to appoint Murphy as a special officer to serve in official police capacity on the waterfront for Murphy's position as the shellfish officer.

The chief said Murphy would strictly be working as an officer of the waterfront but, under certain emergency circumstances, Murphy could be asked to assist the Marion Police; however, Miller stated this would be a rare event and it would not interfere with Murphy's duties on the water.

"This gives the harbormaster more law enforcement powers," said Miller. Murphy, he said, has received all the required training and exams to serve in official police capacity.

The selectmen then appointed Murphy as AHM/

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Perry said Murphy holds all the state required certifications of shellfish officer as well as full-time harbormaster.

In other matters, the director of the Elizabeth Taber Library requested that the selectmen vote to designate parking spaces along Spring Street for library use only.

Chief Miller told selectmen he was never a fan of restricting parking, especially in the village area because, once it is done, it is done. He suggested holding off on a vote until he could contact Sippican School and surrounding businesses that may have employees parking their vehicles in front of the library for extended periods of time.

"At this point, I would just like to hold off and maybe we can alleviate the situation," Miller said.

In other business, the board approved the aquaculture license for Douglas Thackeray, a hearing that was continued from December.

Cushing said he had visited the site and, with the recommendation from harbormaster, the board approved the license, which allows Thackeray to proceed with applying to acquire the relative permits he needs before final approval.

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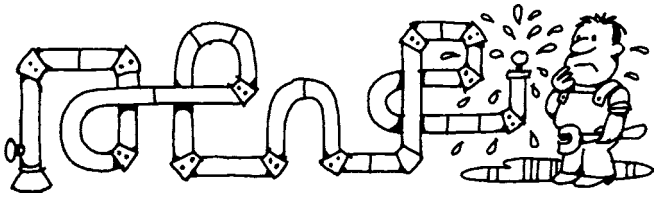

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Bay Club Petitions for Trash Collection

Mattapoisett Planning Board

By Marilou Newell

The Mattapoisett Planning Board's first meeting for 2016 was like an instant replay of meetings from 2015 – another subdivision requesting covenant modifications that would allow the residents town trash collection.

David Andrews, representing the Bay Club Real Estate Trust and Bay Club Community Association, came before the Planning Board with the request on January 4.

"We are aware of others who have received changes to their covenants," he told the board, and he referenced the new contract the town signed with ABC Disposal that seemingly entitles all residents in the town to town-supplied trash collection.

Andrews acknowledged that he understood that if the Planning Board allowed the modification, it would not be the only approval needed; they would also have to go before the Board of Health.

"I'm here to clear this hurdle," he stated.

Planning Board Chairman Tom Tucker said, "Trash. This is all we've talked about at the last couple of meetings. I'm not sure how much discussion we can have on this."

Bay Club has two covenants covering trash removal at the subdivision, written on January 20, 2003 and February 14, 2003. Thirteen years later, and after two other subdivisions successfully lobbied the Planning Board to modify their covenants in favor of town-supplied trash collection, it was Bay Club's turn to ask for a covenant modification.

"You still have to go to the Board of Health," said Tucker. Andrews responded that he knew that.

The hearing was then opened up for public discussion.

Resident Paul Osenkowski told the board, "My feelings still stand that it is an improper decision of the Planning Board…" referring to their modification of

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subdivision covenants. "I said it would be a slippery slope, and that is what has happened," he continued.

Osenkowski has been an outspoken opponent of covenant modifications that might have the potential of incurring additional expenses on the town's budget.

Planning Board member John Mathieu reminded the board members that they had a written opinion from the town's legal counsel, which states that the Planning Board has the authority to modify covenants; but, in this case, it only allows the affected residents the ability to apply to the Board of Health for final approval. Mathieu also said the Planning Board could not make changes that would have a financial impact on the town.

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Board member Mary Crain asked for clarification on the contracts the town has with SEMASS and with ABC Disposal. Tucker said SEMASS handles solid waste, ABC collects solid waste that is transported to SEMASS, and ABC also handles all recycled materials.

"Recycling has decreased the amount of tonnage going to SEMASS," Tucker told Crain.

The board ultimately voted to grant modifications to the Bay Club covenant.

When asked if the other subdivisions who have been granted similar latitude had successfully applied to the Board of Health, Tucker said he was unaware of any action by that board at this time.

This vote makes three subdivisions that will be going before the Board of Health requesting trash collection. Those communities are Brandt Point Village, The Villages, and now the Bay Club.

Before adjourning the meeting, Tucker recognized Anne Tucker, a senior attending Old Rochester Regional High School and student of a new local history course being offered at the school for the first time. Part of her studies includes attending local government meetings. Tucker will be attending Wheaton College.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Planning Board is scheduled for **February 1** at 7:00 pm in the Mattapoisett Town Hall conference room.

Marion Master Plan Moves Forward

Marion Planning Board

By Andrea Ray

Marion moved one step closer to finalizing its Master Plan on January 4 when members of the Planning Board held a workshop to familiarize residents with the plan's goals and details.

Several interested citizens showed up despite the weather, coats and boots dusted with snowflakes. Planning Board member Rico Ferrari qualified the objective of the workshop held at the Marion Music Hall.

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plan," said Ferrari. "We have drafts from the past so that we can get more detailed plans for the future."

Several representatives from SRPEDD, headed by principal comprehensive planner Grant King, joined the Planning Board. As he did in previous meetings, King worked to break down the multi-layered process into something more concise and easily understandable.

"Our Master Plan presentation will probably only take about fifteen minutes," King said. "Tonight is about you, about your thoughts and concerns," which he pointed out was actually the goal for the Master Plan as well. "We're approximately halfway done with the process of creating the Master Plan," he continued.

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The workshop on Monday night was actually one of a series of public workshops that the Planning Board has held. This open house addressed several different but interwoven aspects of the Master Plan, including improving traffic and road safety, creating new zoning bylaws to allow appropriate development in certain areas, and protecting the Village and Harbor.

"We want to adopt design guidelines which define Marion's style, and will place clear expectations on the growth and environments which the town wants to see," King clarified.

The driving decisions for the Master Plan come from town demographics and market and data trends. Marion's age trend provided curious information.

Since 1990, Marion's population has aged fairly rapidly, with the many residents nestled upwards of age 45. Marion's average age in 2015 was 46.1. That is seven years older than Massachusetts' overall average age of 36.1. Marion's age data indicates that the final master plan will be driven largely by the needs of those residents 45 or older.

Several residents brought up Marion's unique status as a seasonal destination for many residents. They were curious to know if SRPEDD considered that many of Marion's voting residents don't live in the town year-round while drawing their demographic analysis.

"You know, we didn't think of that," admitted King, "but it would make a good analysis. I'll add that in right now."

Residents also wanted to know what would happen after SRPEDD finalized the Master Plan, which King mentioned would hopefully be done in late 2016. Once finalized, the Master Plan will be submitted to the Marion Planning Board for their review. Once the final plan is submitted, SRPEDD's role will be finished and it will be up to Marion to act on the plan.

Planning Board Chairman Robert Lane qualified

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the board's role.

"We will review the Master Plan and decide which aspects we want to take action on," Lane said. "We can then pass recommendations, and of course any changes will need to be voted on. But those will be the next steps."

After his presentation, King released the group to a number of tables around the room – staffed by other SRPEDD representatives – where they addressed different aspects of Marion's Master Plan. The residents could discuss any questions and concerns with the representatives. They were also provided with a sheet on which to write down any questions, comments, or

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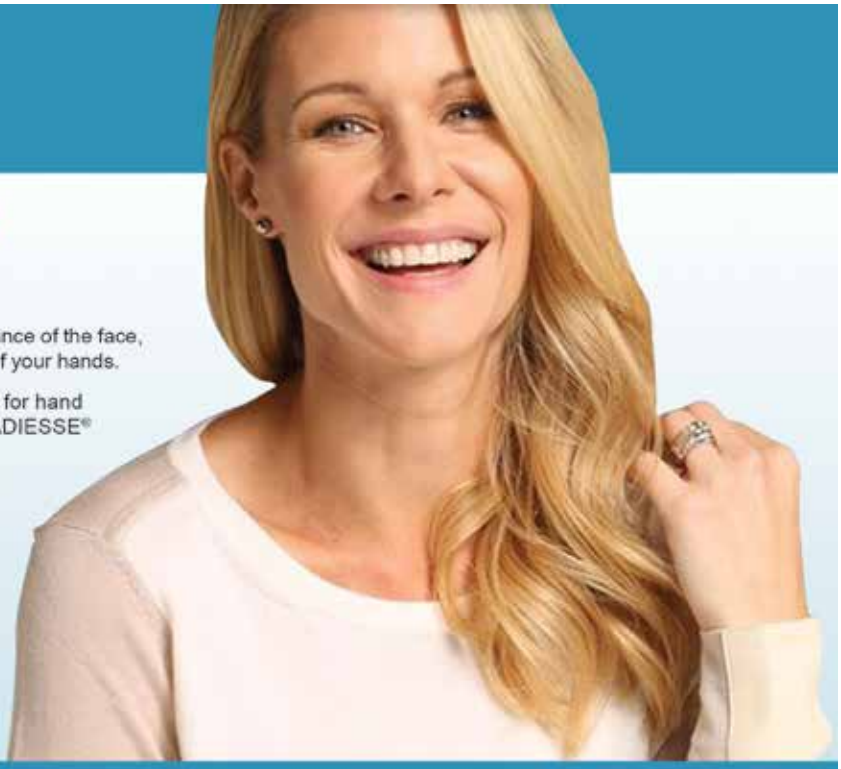
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Farmers Governed by Plumbing Code – Huh?

Mattapoisett Agricultural Commission

By Marilou Newell

Somewhere back in the forgotten history of codes and regulations is a decision that placed agricultural operations under the governance of the Uniform State Plumbing Code. As odd as that may sound, that is the case and it was discussed on January 5 at the meeting of the Mattapoisett Agricultural Commission.

Some farmers have felt that those regulations were too inflexible for agricultural activities and needed some updating to embrace current best practices.

The Agricultural Commission discussed sending a letter in support of a house bill that would begin the process of reviewing statues that affect farming businesses and give a bit more weight to the needs of those operations.

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Commission member Mike King said, "You can't use PVC pipes [in some farming functions]." King said, for some functions, only copper piping is allowed, which puts an undue financial burden on the farmer. With this house bill, that type of regulation might be modified, he suggested.

In other business, the commission has produced car decals that they plan to sell for $5 each. The decal is a replica of the new 'Right to Farm' signs. The proceeds from the decals will help offset printing costs for an updated brochure the commission has been working on for several months. The brochure describes the town's commitment to agriculture, support of farmers, and contact information.

And speaking of the new 'Right to Farm' signs designed by resident Lori Nunes, the Massachusetts Municipal Association newsletter, *The Beacon*, has acknowledged the beauty of the signs along with the community's support for agricultural businesses. Commission member Melody Pacheco said another newspaper featured a piece on the signs and the town's farming culture for an upcoming issue.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Agriculture Commission is scheduled for **February 2** at 6:00 pm in the Mattapoisett Town Hall.

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Don't Stress: Students on Reducing Stress

ORR Update

By Sienna Wurl

The calm serenity of winter break has been replaced by the hectic flurry of responsibility as school kicks back into gear. Clubs are reorganizing after the time off, and classes are slowly getting back into the swing of things. The daily rut has begun again, and the stress of school is already looming over the heads of students.

Life at ORR for a student can be stressful. Trying to juggle between classes and homework and clubs and sports can leave students feeling lost in a whirlwind of ever-increasing responsibility. Stress is a constant factor in everybody's lives – not exclusively high schoolers – but the students of Old Rochester Regional have discovered ways in which to enjoy their high school experience despite the pressure.

For many, stress relief can be found from melodies flowing out of an earbud.

"What gets me through the day is music," said Mary Roussell. "If I didn't have music, I don't think I'd want to go to school at all."

And although wearing earbuds isn't allowed in the halls, many students in studies and in lunch make sure to decompress with some of their favorite artists.

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For some, meditation is a way to focus on what really matters and calm overworked nerves.

"There's this really nice app called calm.com that my guidance counselor told me about," said Erin Costa, "and it has guided meditations, it has timed meditations. You can listen to nice calming sounds for as long as you want to. You can do it as white noise as you're doing your work." On top of using meditation, Costa gives herself checkpoints of sorts.

"What gets me through the day is knowing that once the day is over, I get to sleep. And even giving myself pinpoints, like 'make it to lunch' or 'make it to track' is helpful." Costa said.

But high school isn't only a time to discover what ways are most efficient for stress relief. It's also a time to grow and learn a new, more practical set of skills to use in college and beyond.

"I got very organized very quickly to adjust to my school responsibilities because as the expectations grew, I didn't, and had to adjust right away," said Jonathan Kvilhaug.

The pressure can be put on from a multitude of different sources, notably from peers. Appearance is important in high school, and despite its shallow influence, students take great care in what others think of them.

Multiple different students explained how their biggest stress came from their hectic schedules and trying to find time for themselves. And there is, of course, the sheer amount of work.

"The thing that stresses me out the most is when the expectations of teachers are more on the physical aspects of learning rather than the physical act of learning," said Kvilhaug. "When the focus is primarily on results, it takes away from achievement in other aspects."

Yet, teachers at ORR are understanding and offer wise advice and a helping hand to the students who need a little more motivation.

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of maturing in high school, and English teacher Bertrand Allain has some helpful advice for students who may be struggling to keep up.

"I think it's really easy to assume you can get by just on your intelligence, but you're going to be more successful if you have some organizational skills to go with that," said Allain. "Sometimes very, very smart people find themselves a little bit lost because they fail to be organized."

And to those community members, parents, friends, or anyone who wants to know how to inspire and relieve some of the stress, a student who wished to remain anonymous offered:

"High school is a difficult time, with stress from other students to fit in and be liked, on top of the normal stresses of school. I think the biggest thing I'd want people to know is that you've all been here before, so when we talk about school, please don't dismiss it just because we're younger. [We] students sometimes need a little help, too."

Tabor a Place of Art, Talent

Tabor Academy News

By Madeleine Gregory

It's pretty easy to recognize and appreciate the talented athletes and scholars at Tabor Academy. Students often watch games in the athletic center or out on the fields, and having classes together demonstrates academic abilities. What is not always as obvious, however, is the incredible artistic talent that also resides at Tabor.

Not everyone has a regular chance to see the work of some of the talented artists on campus showcased in the art center. There are, at Tabor, countless talented artists with skills ranging from dance, drawing, photography, and ceramics.

Some of these artists even plan to pursue their passions and talents in college, and both seniors Nicole McLaughlin and Jennifer Joung are planning on attending art schools next year.

McLaughlin had never even tried ceramics before she came to Tabor, but now she has received a scholarship to attend the Maine College of Art for ceramics. She attributes her success and accomplishments to Tabor's program and her instructors, Kevin Arnfield and Bob Mogilnicki.

The best part of the program, she says, is how supportive each student is towards each other.

"We're always helping each other better our techniques," said McLaughlin. "We all want to see each other succeed."

Mr. Mogilnicki and Mr. Arnfield are, as well, invaluable resources.

"They continually spark my interest in art," McLaughlin said. "Mr. Arnfield has really pushed me as an artist by forcing me to break down my work and find what works."

Looking forward, McLaughlin plans to do a senior project in ceramics, studying five different cultures and their traditions to find the "correlation between ceramics and society and culture."

She plans to create pieces in the traditional styles, and then fire and glaze in the traditional ways of each culture, making each piece as authentic as possible. The end result will be a piece or a collection of pieces from each culture.

"The ceramics program has prepared me so well for this project and for college next year," she said. "It has helped me find who I am as an artist well before I journey into my career as an artist."

Joung, attending Rhode Island School of Design, has been in Studio Art since freshman year with Trisha Smith.

"I didn't just limit myself to painting and drawing though," Joung said. "I would use clay from the ceramics studio, wire, any materials we had."

Joung's teachers always challenged her to reconsider her perception of art, she said.

"Before Tabor, I always used acrylics, but Ms. Smith has pushed me to try charcoal, graphite pencil, gouache, etc.," Joung said. "Thanks to her, I could put together my portfolio of mixed media and fine art for college."

Another Tabor teacher who had an impact on her art career was Chris Botello, the InDesign and Photoshop professor. Through working with him, she said, "I developed an interest in graphic design and the process of thinking about how to communicate visually."

Joung expressed how much she loves figuring out "how to incorporate the white space in the background to demonstrate a particular scene."

For her senior project, she's combining her skills for Photoshop, drawing, and InDesign to design and create a magazine.

Walking through the Braitmayer Art Center, you can see many of Nicole's and Jennifer's pieces. As they head into their college art programs, they will build on their skill sets learned throughout years of classes and hours of time spent in the studio to continue to create and excel in their fields.

Both Track Teams Stay Undefeated at 4-0

ORR Sports Update

By Patrick Briand

Note that both swimming teams had a bye week this week. Each team has two meets next week, against Apponequet and Bridgewater-Raynham Regional.

Boys' Basketball: The Bulldogs began the week at home against Apponequet. The Lakers kept things close in the first half, as the score was just 25-23 at the conclusion of two quarters. The Bulldogs, however, pulled away in the second half and secured a 61-38 victory. Sophomore guard **Jason Gamache** scored 14 points in the win, including four 3-pointers, and junior center **Matt Valles** scored 12 and locked down 10 boards. On Wednesday, the boys went on the road to play GNB Voc-Tech. Valles led the team with 17 points in a 68-62 victory. A back-and-forth third quarter saw Voke go on a 14-1 run to tie the game at 39. However, the Bulldogs played well down the stretch and also received 13 points apiece from senior twins **Evan Santos** and **Will Santos,** as well as 12 from junior forward **Russell Noonan.** This week, the boys play rivals Wareham on the road on Monday and Dighton-Rehoboth at home on Thursday.

Girls' Basketball: The Lady Bulldogs had their second straight road game to begin the week, facing off against Apponequet. Despite being outscored 22-17 in the second half, the girls, in desperate need of a win, hung on for a hard-fought 38-33 victory. The girls played some of their best defense of the season, forcing 35 turnovers. In a fact that may seem quite unlikely, the team held all but two Lady Lakers players scoreless. Junior guard **Sophie Church** led the way with 13 points, including two 3-pointers, and she was flanked by freshman guard **Maddie Demanche**, who scored 9, and junior forward **Olivia Labbe,** who added 8. The Lady Bulldogs have games against Wareham (home on Monday) and D-R (away on Thursday) this week.

Boys' Track: The boys returned from a 10-day break to run against Seekonk and Wareham at GNB Voc-Tech on Tuesday. Both meets were easy wins, as the Bulldogs defeated the Vikings 73-13 and the Warriors 66-21. Winners included junior **Will Hopkins** in the 55m hurdles (8.2) and the 300m (40.8), junior **Danny Renwick**

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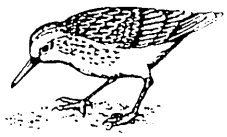
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in the high jump (6ft), freshman **Adam Sylvia** in the mile (5:03), senior **Jarrett Johnston** in the shot put (39-9), junior **James Goulart** in the 2-mile (11:39), and senior **Kyle Camacho** in the 600m (1:38.5). The following day, the shuttle hurdles relay team competed at the Rhode Island Classic in Providence, RI, where they took fifth with a time of 33.5 seconds. The team was composed of juniors Hopkins, Renwick, and **Eli Spevack,** as well as sophomore **Harry Smith.** On Sunday, top freshmen and sophomore athletes competed in the Auerbach State Freshman/Sophomore Meet at the Reggie Lewis Center in Boston. Sylvia ran a personal best in the mile (4:56), and the team also received strong contributions out of sophomores Smith and **Nick Elkalassi** (55m dash), **Owen Gleasure** (high jump), and **Evan Tilley** (2-mile). Many of those top athletes will be back at Reggie when the team competes in the Division 5 State Relays Meet this upcoming Sunday.

Girls' Track: After a nice resting period over Christmas, the girls returned to action to run against Seekonk and Wareham at GNB Voc-Tech on Tuesday. The Lady Bulldogs earned double victories, defeating the Lady Vikings 61-25 and the Lady Warriors 69-17. The team was powered by wins from senior **Zoe Smith** in the 55m hurdles (8.7), 55m dash (7.5), and high jump (5-10). They also received victories from sophomore **Madisen Martin** in the mile (5:49), senior **Nina Bourgeois** in the 1000m (3:21), and senior **Nicole Mattson** in the 600m (1:47). The next day, the girls' shuttle hurdle relay team competed in Providence, RI at the Rhode Island Classic. Expected to place well, the girls kept up their outstanding work, finishing second with a time of 35 seconds. The team featured seniors **Morgan Middleton,** Smith, and **Elexus Afonso,** as well as junior **Brooke Santos.** Freshmen and sophomores competed on Sunday at the prestigious Auerbach State Freshman/Sophomore meet at the Reggie Lewis Center in Boston. Standouts included sophomores **Madeline Scheub** (high jump) and **Rachel Demmer** (55m dash). The Lady Bulldogs will head back

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Boys' Ice Hockey: The boys' lone game this week was against Dartmouth High at their home rink, the Travis Roy rink at Tabor Academy in Marion. Junior **Sam Henrie** scored the only goal in a 1-1 tie, and standout goalie **Chase Cunningham** (Jr.) made 31 saves to keep the Bulldogs/Blue Devils in the game. This week, the Bulldogs will contend with D-R at home on Wednesday and Somerset-Berkeley at the Driscoll Skating Arena on Saturday.

Girls' Ice Hockey: The girls' only game this week was against Dennis-Yarmouth at the Tony Kent Arena in South Dennis. Going into the third period, the BMWORR team was tied 2-2, but D-Y scored two in the final minutes, giving the Lady Bulldogs and Co. a 4-2 loss. Goals came from Bourne junior **Tannah O'Brien** and Bourne sophomore **Leah Hidenfelter,** while ORR freshman **Chelsea Peterson** had an assist. The girls have two games on the slate this week: Home at the John Gallo Ice Arena in Bourne against Plymouth North on Wednesday, and at the Hetland Arena to play Bishop Stang on Saturday.

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Great Decisions Discussion Group

Once again this year "Great Decisions," a Foreign Policy Association discussion group sponsored by the Mattapoisett Woman's Club, will take place at the Mattapoisett Library. The discussions will begin on Wednesday, **January 27**.

The topics are: Middle East Alliances; The Rise of ISIS; The Future of Kurdistan; Migration; The Koreas; The United Nations; Climate Change; and Cuba and the U.S.

The group meets once a week on Wednesdays from 1:00 to 3:00 pm for eight consecutive weeks beginning January 27. It meets at the Mattapoisett Free Library, 7 Barstow Street, Mattapoisett, in the conference room, which offers direct accessibility. The fee for the Foreign Policy Association discussion series booklet/and one classroom DVD, plus refreshments and a donation to the library will be $30 for each person. If you are a couple sharing a book, your fee is $40. The books will be available on Tuesday and Wednesday, January 19 & 20, for distribution at the library between 11:00 am and 1:00 pm. Please make checks payable to The Mattapoisett Woman's Club and mail to: The Mattapoisett Woman's Club, P.O. Box 1444, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. If you need any additional information, you may call Ellen P. Flynn at 508-758-1312.

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Marion Council on Aging

Have you made a new year's resolution to start an exercise program? Then join the Marion Council on Aging on Mondays and Fridays for dance aerobics. Classes are held from 9:30 to 10:30 am on Mondays at 13 Atlantis Drive and on Fridays at the Music Hall for only $4 per class. Come join the fun!

Are you concerned about your balance? Try Tai Chi at the Atlantis Drive facility on Tuesdays from 4:00 - 5:30 pm for beginners and from 6:00 - 7:30 pm for non-beginners. Tai Chi is also held on Thursdays from 11:00 am - 12:30 pm. All classes are $10 per class.

Don't forget the new mini senior center on Mondays at the Music Hall from 9:30 am - 2:00 pm. Nursing consultations are held from 9:30 - 11:30 am, chair yoga from 10:00 - 11:00 am, a social hour from 11:00 - 11:45 am followed by lunch from 11:45 am - 12:30 pm (free-will donation), and then a learning & lecture series. The lecture series for January is as follows:

- January11: "Norman Rockwell Remembered" will offer a way to experience a selection of beloved images by Rockwell and to hear the stories behind his choices;
- January 18: Closed for the holiday;
- January 25: "Organizing You and Your Life," which will help us find appropriate solutions for managing all of our stuff.

Free monthly movies, sponsored by the Sippican Historical Society and the Marion Council on Aging, are shown at the Music Hall at 7:00 pm with a talkback after the movie. The following is a list of the upcoming movies: January 8 *High Noon*, February 12 *Some Like it Hot*, March 11 *Cool Hand Luke* and April 8 *Man for All Seasons*.

Crohn's and Colitis Support Group

If you or a loved one has Crohn's disease or ulcerative colitis, you are not alone. CCFA can help. Support group meets at Tobey Hospital, Cranberry Room, 43 High Street, Wareham on **January 13** at 7:00 pm. Meetings are scheduled for the second Wednesday of the

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month. For more information, please call Melissa at 617-784-1624 or call the CCFA New England Chapter at 781-449-0324 ext. 2.

Marion Cub Scouts Tabor Skate this Sunday

On Sunday, **January 10**, the Marion Cub Scouts of Pack 32 will co-host with the Marion Recreation Department a public skate at Tabor Academy's Travis Roy Rink. Skate hours are noon to 2:00 pm. The cost is only $5 dollars per skater.

Come on in with the whole family to support the Cub Scouts and Marion Rec! The Cubs will be selling homemade goodies, hot cocoa and coffee to keep you and your family warm and fed while you skate! Don't forget that a hat and gloves are required for all skaters.

Marion Recreation

Marion Recreation opens registration for Winter Musical Theater and Dance Programs.

Come join in on the fun of learning how to take part in a musical theatre performance or how to dance some of those catchy line dances at the next wedding.

The Sound of Music musical theatre class will have children learning the basics of putting together a real-life musical production. In this class, boys and girls will audition for a role in the musical *The Sound of Music*. Children will sing, dance, and act their way into a world of excitement. Costumes are encouraged, but not necessary. This program is open to participants who are 5 to 13 years old. Class meets on Wednesdays from 3:15 - 4:15 pm at the Marion Music Hall.

In "Line Dances," students will learn various new age line dances throughout the course. The class incorporates choreography and different forms of freestyle movement. At the end of the 8-week session, students will have a short performance of their hard work. This program is open to participants who are 5 to 13 years old. Class meets on Wednesdays from 4:15 - 5:15 pm at the Marion Music Hall.

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Both programs run from **January 20 to March 30** at the Marion Music Hall. Registration may be made by mail or in person at Marion Recreation, 13 Atlantis Drive, Marion. Cost is $95 per participant, per program. For more information, visit www.marionrecreation.com.

Friends of the Mattapoisett COA

All members of The Friends of the Mattapoisett Council On Aging, Inc. and residents of Mattapoisett are invited to the Annual Meeting of its membership being held on Saturday, **January 16** from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm at the Meeting Room, Mattapoisett Public Library, 7 Barstow Street, Mattapoisett. An informal mixer serving coffee and donuts will be followed by a presentation by Betty and Bert Theriault, who have been Officers in the Coast Guard Auxiliary for 40 years and have given tours of Ned's Point Lighthouse to visitors and veterans for 19 years.

Open Table This Friday

You are invited for supper on Friday, **January 8** at the Mattapoisett Congregational Church! As always, something delicious and nutritious is on the menu, and we can't wait to see you. There is no charge, although donations are gratefully accepted. Doors open at 4:30 pm and the meal will be served at 5:00 pm. Everyone is welcome!

Winter Hiking Adventure

Join the Buzzards Bay Coalition for a winter hiking adventure along cranberry bogs and through the forest at The Bogs in Mattapoisett on Saturday, **January 16** at 1:00 pm.

Participants should meet at The Bogs entrance at 138 Acushnet Road in Mattapoisett. The walk is free and will run about an hour and a half. Please dress for the weather, including boots and appropriate winter clothing.

Winter hike adventures will take place on the third Saturday of each month this winter at different conservation areas across the Buzzards Bay region. The next winter hike adventure will meet at Destruction Brook Woods in Dartmouth on Saturday, February 20.

These hikes are part of the Coalition's Bay Adventures series, which are programs designed for explorers of all ages to get outside and discover Buzzards Bay. To learn more about all our upcoming Bay Adventures, visit www.savebuzzardsbay.org/bayadventures.

Registration is required for all Bay Adventures. To RSVP online, visit www.savebuzzardsbay.org/bayadventures or contact the Buzzards Bay Coalition at 508-999-6363 ext. 219.

Sippican Choral Society

The Sippican Choral Society resumes rehearsals on Monday, **January 18** at 7:15 pm in the Mattapoisett Congregational Church's Reynard Hall on Church Street. New members are welcome to join the chorus simply by coming to the first rehearsal.

The chorus will be rehearsing for its spring concert on Saturday, April 30 in Marion and will present a program with a French theme. Some of the music the chorus will perform includes: Haydn's "Missa Brevis Sancti Joannis de Deo in B flat," "Cantique de Jean Racine" by Gabriel Fauré, and "Notre Pere" by Maurice Duruflé. Leonard Bernstein's "Make Our Garden Grow," from Candide and a Les Miserables medley will also be on the program.

In addition, a small chamber choir, to be chosen by the Music Director from among chorus members, will sing three pieces: "Il est bel et bon" by Pierre Passereau, "El Grillo" by Josquin des Prez, and Morten Lauridsen's beautiful "Dirait-on."

In its continuing effort to encourage choral singing among young people, the chorus has invited the Sippican School Chorus, under the direction of Hannah Clark Moore, to sing with them this spring. They will sing several songs by themselves and will join the chorus in singing two pieces: "Ave Maria" by Bach/Gounod and Cesar Franck's timeless "Panis Angelicus."

Rehearsals begin promptly at 7:30 pm every Monday evening, but singers are asked to arrive by 7:15 pm for the first rehearsal in order to register and receive music. All voices – soprano, alto, tenor, and bass – are welcome, and tenors are especially encouraged to sing with the chorus this year.

In addition, the chorus would like to invite young people still in high school and college to join us as well. As always, everyone who has sung with the chorus in past years will be welcomed back.

Dr. Tianxu Zhou, director of the chorus, requests that both returning members and new members who, for

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Now in its 51st season, the chorus is under the direction of Dr. Tianxu Zhou, with Michelle Gordon of Mattapoisett as accompanist. The group performs at least two concerts every year, singing the works of the world's great composers as well as more modern music.

For further information about singing with the Sippican Choral Society this year, please contact Nancy Sparklin at 508-763-2327.

Classic Film Series Returns

The return of the Classic Film Series sponsored by the Sippican Historical Society and the Marion Council on Aging features *High Noon*, which will be shown at the Marion Music Hall on Friday, **January 8** at 7:00 pm. A newly-married town marshal (Gary Cooper) faces three paroled murderers who are coming back to get him. He asks for help from townspeople, but they all walk away. The marshal was hoping to honeymoon with his beautiful Quaker wife (Grace Kelly), but his strong sense of responsibility and duty demands that he stay to face the drama that is about to follow. This is a very powerful film. There will be a talkback after the movie given by David Pierce. Come a bit early to enjoy the music provided by Truman Terrell and Bob Sanderson.

Falmouth Academy Head of Schools

Several area students were named to the Head of School's List for academic achievement in the first trimester at Falmouth Academy. To be named to the list, students must have earned at least three A's and no grade below B-minus. The list includes:

12th grade
Charlotte Van Voorhis of Mattapoisett
11th grade
Oliver Russell of Mattapoisett
Eliza Van Voorhis of Mattapoisett
9th grade
Emma Keeler of Rochester
Grace Russell of Mattapoisett
8th grade
Charles Tomlinson of Marion
7th grade
Eleanor Beams of Mattapoisett
Paige Feeney of Marion

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Obituaries:

Gordon M. Sequeira, 84, of Marion, died Saturday, December 19, 2015 at Tobey Hospital in Wareham. He was the husband of Delores (Martin) Sequeira.

Born in Wareham, he was the son of the late Lawrence and Mary (Mendes) Sequeira. A graduate of Wareham High School, Class of 1949, Mr. Sequeira worked as a laborer in road construction for Laborers Local # 385 in Fairhaven. He was a Korean War veteran serving in the U.S. Army from 1952 to 1954.

He enjoyed playing cards, collecting antiques and loved being with his grandchildren.

Survivors include his wife, Delores of Marion; his children, Darlene Pinckney and her husband Arthur Pinckney and Valerie Cardoza and her husband Bruce Cardoza both of Onset and Gordon M. Sequeira, Jr. of Marion; two sisters, Beverly Lima of Buzzards Bay and Maryanne Baptista of New Bedford; five grandchildren, 6 great grandchildren, 1 great great grandson and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his brothers and sisters, Timeo Sequeira, Clemmie Cruz, Priscilla Harris, Lawrence Sequeira, Jr., Shirley Perry and Ronald Sequeira.

His funeral was held at the Chapman, Cole & Gleason Funeral Home, 2599 Cranberry Highway (Rt. 28), Wareham on Tuesday, December 29, 2015 followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at St. Patrick's Church, High St., Wareham. Interment was in Mass. National Cemetery, Bourne.

Barry A. Harwood, 50, of Fall River, passed away Monday, December 21, 2015, at St. Anne's Hospital, in Fall River, surrounded by his loving family. He was the husband of Stacy L. (Sykes) Harwood.

Born in New Bedford, the son of Alan B. and Merilyn L. (Radu) Harwood of West Wareham, he grew up in Mattapoisett and settled in Fall River in 1999. Barry was a graduate of Old Colony Regional Vocational High School and had worked as the Foreman at the Congregation Adas Israel Cemetery, in Fall River.

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Kari Marvel of Marion

Gateway Youth Hockey

Squirts: Gateway Gladiator Squirts faced a tough KP Walpole team on Sunday. In the first period, **Ty David Ribeiro** and **Matthew Paling** each had unassisted goals. In the second, Ribeiro had another unassisted goal. In the third period, Paling added another with an assist from **Brayden Hathon**. **Lucas DeMoranville**, **Jacob Hebbel**, and **Thomas Clavell** played a strong defense all game long. **Benjamin Hebbel** and **Brady Kidney** skated hard keeping the puck in motion. Despite Walpole scoring three goals, Gateway won the close game 4-3.

Pee Wees: Pee Wee Gladiators dropped a 4-3 game to Walpole on Sunday. Walpole took an early two-goal lead before Gateway got on the board with a goal by **RJ Vickery**. Walpole scored a third goal, but Gateway fought back with two more goals by **Bailey Tieu** and **Stephen Old** to tie the game. Walpole added one more to go ahead by one late in the third. Gateway pulled goalie **Ryker King** with a minute left for the extra attacker and applied immense pressure, but could not get the goal to tie up the game. An outstanding job by all players.

Bantams: The Bantam Gateway Gladiators finally got back to their winning ways on Saturday with a win over a tough WHK team. WHK jumped out to an early

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Barry loved music, and sang in several area bands including the Harpoon Harmonizers with his grandfather. He enjoyed Karaoke, watching the Patriots and the Bruins, and especially laughing and having fun with family and friends.

Beside his wife and parents survivors include a son, Tyler Harwood; a brother, Craig Harwood and his wife Ivette Cortes of Montreal, Canada; a sister, Karolyn Dunham and her companion Matthew Germano of Fairhaven; a grandson, Evan Harwood of New Bedford; an aunt, Joyce and Eric Ramos of Rochester; a niece, Alexah Dunham of Fairhaven and several cousins.

Calling hours were held on Saturday, December 26, 2015 in the Fairhaven Funeral Home, 117 Main Street, Fairhaven, with a service following. Cremation followed and interment was private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to FORM, Friends of Old Rochester Music, P.O. Box 1143, Mattapoisett, MA 02739

Daniel Allen Spooner, 57, of Mattapoisett died December 26, 2015 unexpectedly at St. Luke's Hospital.

Born in New Bedford, the son of the late Allen and Maria L. "Lucy" (Goes) Spooner, he lived in Mattapoisett for the last 12 years.

Daniel was formerly employed as a commercial fisherman on several vessels of the New Bedford fleet. He later became a union representative for the Seafarers International Union in Maryland, Jacksonville, FL and Brooklyn, NY.

Mr. Spooner enjoyed working out at the gym, loved being by the ocean, quahogging, days at the beach, spending time with his grandchildren and the company of Graca and his dog "Carmine."

Daniel was an athlete while at Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School and had a desire to become a coach at the school and help others. A scholarship has been established in his memory to benefit student athletes and scholars.

Survivors include his fiancée, Graciana Silva of Mattapoisett; a daughter, Shana Spooner and her companion William Camacho of New Bedford; 2 sons, Daniel Allen Spooner, Jr. of Leonardtown, MD and Chad Lucas and his wife Heather of Acushnet; his former wife, Carol (DeMello) Garza; 2 sisters, Jean DeCoffe and her husband Murray of Mattapoisett and Bonnie Waite and her husband Richard of Acushnet; 5 grandchildren, Jiovani, Giana, King, Kailani and Averie; and several nieces and nephews.

His Funeral was held on Thursday, December 31st from the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home For Funerals, 50 County Rd. (Rt. 6), Mattapoisett, followed by his Funeral Mass at St. Anthony's Church. Burial followed in St. Anthony's Cemetery. Visiting hours were held on Wednesday, December 30th. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to the Daniel Allen Spooner Scholarship Fund, c/o First Citizens Credit Union, P.O. Box 1766, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. For guestbook, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.

Diane M. Leclair, 61, of Fairhaven died December 30, 2015 peacefully at home after a long illness.

Born in New Bedford, the daughter of Patricia (Ford) Leclair of Dartmouth and the late Arthur H.J. Leclair, she lived in Fairhaven most of her life.

Diane was employed as a speech therapist in the New Bedford School System and Fairhaven School System for many years until her illness.

She was a member of the Massachusetts Teachers Association.

Survivors include her mother; a brother, Arthur Leclair and his wife Donna of Mattapoisett; 2 sisters, Patricia Leclair of Mattapoisett and Kathleen Leclair and her husband Mark Bruno of Fort Myers, FL; 2 nieces, Heather Perez and Tatum Leclair; and a nephew, Matthew Leclair.

Her Funeral Mass was celebrated on Saturday, January 2nd in St. Anthony's Church in Mattapoisett. Arrangements were with the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home For Funerals, 50 County Rd. (Rt. 6) Mattapoisett. For online guestbook, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.

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lead scoring just seven minutes into the game. WHK then scored again with a little over one minute left in the first period. The Gladiators, however, responded with a goal off the ensuing face off, with some nice passing between **Tyler Lovendale** and **Quirino doCanto**, with doCanto putting home the goal. **Peter Pimental** tied the game on a nice wrist shot with assists from **Jack Martins** and doCanto. Less than a minute later, **James L'Heureux** found the back of the net off a great feed from **Chris Cogan**. The final goal was scored by Martins on a low, hard shot that snuck by the goalie, assisted by doCanto and Pimental. **Bryan Gallagher** added an assist from the defense and along with the rest of the defense, shut down the WHK Hawks after their first two goals. **Alex DeMarco** filled in as the goalie and had probably his best game of the season with 19 saves on 21 shots.

Middle School: The Middle School Jr. Vikings came up a little short on Sunday night, losing to Medfield 6-5. After no scoring in the first period, both teams woke up in the second, with Medfield scoring four goals and the Jr. Vikings scoring two. The scoring for the Jr. Vikings was started by **Tyler Lovendale** after some nice passing between Lovendale and **Quirino doCanto**. The second goal of the period was put in on a rebound by **Jordan Boucher-Szwedko**, his first career goal. The Jr. Vikings made a valiant effort with **Robert Ramsay** and Lovendale scoring short handed, as well as Lovendale adding his third goal to secure a hat trick. Medfield was just too much to handle, including three break-away goals following deflections on shots from the blue line. **Jake DeMoranville** played well in net, followed up by **Alex DeMarco**, who did his best to handle the Medfield fire power.

Concert for Heating Oil Assistance

The Knights of Columbus will have a concert from 7:00 to 10:00 pm on **January 22** at the Knights Hall, 57 Fairhaven Road, Mattapoisett. The concert is to help raise money for heating fuel assistance for local residents. Sherman and the Way Backs, a 60s classic rock band, will be playing that night. Tickets are $15 each and are available at the door or you may call Jim at 508-971-5137 or 508-863-3496.

Mattapoisett COA Happenings

Everyone is welcome to participate in activities and services at the Mattapoisett Council on Aging, 17 Barstow Street. Most activities are "drop in." For any questions and/or to register for trips and special events, call 508-758-4110.

Mondays: 8:45 am Tai Chi (free); 10:00 am Qi Gong meditative healing (free); 10:00 am Knitting; 12:00 pm Strength & Balance (free); 1:00 pm Scrabble.

Tuesdays: 8:45 am Sport Yoga ($3); 10:00 am Legal Consulting (2nd Tuesday of month, free 15 min, by appt); 11:00 am Walking Group; 12:00 pm Movie & Pizza (last Tuesday of month); 12:30 pm Art History (once every other month, $3); 1:00 pm Water Color Painting (free).

Wednesdays: 9:30 am Cardio Fit (free); 10:00 am Men's Group (2nd Wednesday of month at Public Library); 10:45 am Meditation; 11:00 am Book Club (3rd Wednesday of month); 12:00 pm Strength & Balance (free); 1:00 pm Bingo; 1:15 pm Mah Jongg.

Thursdays: Various Trips (call for details); 11:00 am Computer Tutor (free, by appt); 1:00 pm Country Line Dancing.

Fridays: 8:45 am Sport Yoga ($3); 10:00 am Rx Qi Gong ($6.50); 11:15 am Chair Yoga ($3); 1:00 pm Line Dancing (donation); Foot Care (once a month by appt).

Upcoming Specials (registration required): Jan. 12, Art History - Winslow Homer's America; Trips: Feb. 4 Mile Post Tavern, Duxbury; Feb. 11 RI Antique Mall followed by Fountain Grille Restaurant; Feb. 16 Lunch & Speaker, "Dining the Healthy Way" with Nutritionist, Stephanie Boulay (learn better options when eating out); Feb. 25 RISD Art Museum with lunch at Kartabar Restaurant.

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9:00 AM The Register's Report
9:30 AM Creating Cooperative Kids - Creating Agreements with Children
10:30 AM NASA 360
11:00 AM Seniorcize
11:30 AM Jazzercise
1:30 PM Reeling - The Movie Review Show
2:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx
2:30 PM Melissa's Menu
3:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe
3:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today
4:00 PM Sci-Fi Journal
5:00 PM Physician Focus
5:30 PM Money Talk - SRI
6:00 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History
7:00 PM Reeling - The Movie Review Show
7:30 PM Become Your Own Gym - Nutrition
8:00 PM What's Linda Cooking - Chicken Cacciatore
8:30 PM In Focus-The Hollywood Lens of Murray Garrett
10:00 PM The Mass Factor - Ken Gray
10:30 PM Investigators Of The Unknown
11:30 PM The Steve Katsos Show

Friday January 8, 2016
7:00 AM Fast Forward
7:30 AM The Song
8:00 AM Just Coolin'
9:00 AM Senior Scene
9:30 AM Bioneers by the Bay
10:30 AM Melissa's Menu
11:00 AM Seniorcize
11:30 AM Jazzercise
12:00 PM Movie - Hitchock's Number 17
1:30 PM Your Money Your Life
2:00 PM ORR Hall of Fame with Buddy Thomas
2:30 PM The Commonwealth Report
3:00 PM Explore
3:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000
4:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe
4:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx
5:00 PM United We Stand - Hearing at the Massachusetts State House
6:30 PM What's Linda Cooking - Chicken Cacciatore
7:00 PM Legal Ease
7:30 PM 30 Odd Minutes
8:00 PM The Mario and Dennis Show
8:30 PM In Focus-The Hollywood Lens of Murray Garrett
10:00 PM Reeling - The Movie Review Show
10:30 PM Graceful Aging - Everyone Deserves
11:00 PM Investigators Of The Unknown

Saturday January 9, 2016
6:00 AM Saturday Morning Cartoon Festival
8:30 AM NASA 360
9:00 AM Citizens for Economic Justice - Corporations are not People
11:00 AM The Mario and Dennis Show
11:30 AM What's Linda Cooking - Chicken Cacciatore
12:00 PM Our Fair Lady Gala Performance
1:00 PM ORR Football vs Apponequet Lakers - Thanksgiving Day 2015
3:00 PM Expedition New England
3:30 PM Rochester Historical Society
4:31 PM In The Fight
5:01 PM Navigating the Way for Seniors
5:30 PM ORR Football Highlight Reel 2014
6:30 PM What's Linda Cooking - Chicken Cacciatore
7:00 PM Tina Cooks
7:30 PM A Culinary Journey
8:00 PM The Song - Jamie Kent
8:30 PM 30 Odd Minutes - Lake Monsters With Chris Jericho
9:00 PM Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers
11:00 PM Europe In Concert

Sunday January 10, 2016
7:00 AM Second Coming Church
8:00 AM Our Fair Lady Gala Performance
9:00 AM Eckanar
9:30 AM First Congregational Church of Rochester
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11:30 AM Navigating the Way for Seniors
12:00 PM In Focus-The Hollywood Lens of Murray Garrett
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10:30 PM Reeling - The Movie Review Show
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Monday January 11, 2016
7:30 AM The Mass Factor
8:00 AM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx
8:30 AM Your Money Your Life
9:00 AM The Commonwealth Report
9:30 AM The Dr. Is In - Women & Alcoholism
10:00 AM Living Healthy With The Women In You -Transformative Handwriting
10:30 AM Deutsche Welle - In Focus
11:00 AM Seniorcize
11:30 AM Jazzercise
12:00 PM Movie - My Favorite Brunette
1:30 PM The Sippican Historical Society Presents: The Beverly Yacht Club
2:30 PM Hollywood Make Over - The Right Wardrobe For Your Cast
3:00 PM Explore - The Middle East
3:30 PM Earth Focus
4:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe
4:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000
5:00 PM The Register's Report
5:30 PM Reeling - The Movie Review Show
6:00 PM What's Linda Cooking - Chicken Cacciatore
6:30 PM Rochester Historical Society - History of the Rochester Fire and Police Dept.
8:00 PM Navigating the Way for Seniors - Financial Planning
8:30 PM Expedition New England - Long Beach West
9:00 PM The National Parks Service Presents: Ribbons of Sand
9:30 PM 4 Deep Sports Talk - Little League Coach Honored at WIlliamsport
10:00 PM ORR Hall of Fame with Buddy Thomas
10:30 PM Life Matters
11:00 PM The Mario and Dennis Show
11:30 PM The Steve Katsos Show

Tuesday January 12, 2016
6:50 AM United We Stand - Hearing at the Massachusetts State House
8:00 AM Language of Business - Business and Lawyers
8:30 AM Cooking With Marie - Cooking for the Community
9:00 AM What's Linda Cooking - Chicken Cacciatore
9:30 AM The Register's Report
10:00 AM Fast Forward - Paolo Bacigalupi
10:30 AM Melissa's Menu
11:00 AM Seniorcize
11:30 AM Jazzercise
12:00 PM Movie - Alfred Hitchcock's Jamaica Inn
1:30 PM In The Fight
2:00 PM Marion Christmas Stroll 2015
2:15 PM Mattapoisett Christmas in the Park 2015
3:00 PM Rochester Christmas Tree Lighting
3:30 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History
4:30 PM The Song - Jamie Kent
5:00 PM Physician Focus
5:30 PM The Commonwealth Report - Richard Henderson
6:00 PM Graceful Aging - Everyone Deserves
6:30 PM Senior Scene - Winter Readiness
7:00 PM The Mass Factor - Ken Gray
7:30 PM Language of Business - Business and Lawyers
8:00 PM Painting Journeys
9:00 PM Upper Cape Tech Presents Careers - Nurse Aide
9:30 PM The Register's Report
10:00 PM Sippican Historical Society Presents Dr. Robert Darton - Future Of Books
11:00 PM Reeling - The Movie Review Show
11:30 PM The Steve Katsos Show

Wednesday January 13, 2016
7:00 AM Creating Cooperative Kids
8:00 AM Our Fair Lady Gala Performance
9:00 AM Expedition New England - A Piece of Africa in New England
9:30 AM ORR Hall of Fame with Buddy Thomas
10:00 AM Melissa's Menu
10:30 AM Living Healthy With The Women In You
11:00 AM Seniorcize
11:30 AM Jazzercize
12:00 PM Movie - Paradise Isle
1:30 PM Navigating the Way for Seniors - SHINE Program
2:00 PM Sci-Fi Journal
3:00 PM Marion Christmas Stroll 2015
3:15 PM Mattapoisett Christmas in the Park 2015
4:00 PM Rochester Christmas Tree Lighting
4:30 PM Rochester Historical Society - History of the Rochester Fire and Police Dept.
6:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today
6:30 PM Upper Cape Tech Presents Careers - Nurse Aide
7:00 PM The Song - Chad Hollister
7:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx
8:00 PM The Rochester Historical Society Presents - The Meaning of Christmas
8:30 PM In Focus-The Hollywood Lens of Murray Garrett
10:00 PM In The Fight
10:30 PM Life Matters
11:00 PM 30 Odd Minutes
11:30 PM Reeling - The Movie Review Show

MARION GOVERNMENT
Comcast Channel 95
Verizon Channel 39
Daily Schedule

7:30 AM Marion School Committee - December 2, 2015
9:30 AM Marion Conservation Commission - December 9, 2015
11:30 AM Marion Planning Board - December 7, 2015
1:30 PM Marion Board of Selectmen - November 17, 2015
4:00 PM Marion School Committee - December 2, 2015
6:00 PM Marion Board of Selectmen - November 17, 2015
8:00 PM Marion Planning Board - December 7, 2015
9:30 PM Marion Conservation Commission - December 9, 2015

ROCHESTER GOVERNMENT
Comcast Channel 95
Verizon Channel 40
Daily Schedule

8:00 AM Rochester School Committee - December 3, 2015
10:00 AM Rochester Planning Board - December 8, 2015
1:00 PM Rochester Board of Selectmen - December 14, 2015
3:30 PM Rochester School Committee - December 3, 2015
5:30 PM Rochester Board of Selectmen - December 14, 2015
7:30 PM Rochester Planning Board - December 8, 2015

EDUCATION CHANNEL
Comcast Channel 97
Verizon Channel 37
Daily Schedule

8:00 AM ORR District School Committee Meeting - December 9, 2015
9:10 AM ORRJHS Career Day Keynote Speaker Joseph Nauman
9:40 AM ORRJHS Career Day - Producer and Songwriter
10:35 AM ORRJHS Career Day - CSI
11:15 AM ORRJHS Career Day Part 4 - Cake Designer and Photographer
12:10 PM ORRJHS Career Day Part 5 - Teachers, Army and Navy
1:00 PM ORRJHS Career Day Part 6 - Immigration and Zoo Keepers
2:00 PM ORRJHS Career Day Part 7 - Pilot and Veterinarian
3:00 PM ORRJHS Cub Reporter Holiday Show
3:35 PM ORRHS Holiday Bulldog TV
4:30 PM ORRHS Holiday Concert
5:45 PM ORRHS Holiday Movie Trailers
6:05 PM Tri-County Symphonic Band Christmas Concert
7:15 PM Center School Holiday Show - Twinkle and Shine
8:00 PM ORRHS - Andrew Svehaug - Computer Programming For All Ages
8:30 PM ORRJHS Holiday Concert
9:25 PM ORRHS Holiday Movie Trailers
9:45 PM ORR Joint School Committee Meeting - November 19, 2015
10:35 PM ORR District School Committee Meeting - December 9, 2015

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Classes for Kids Offered by MAC

The Marion Art Center is now accepting registrations for its Winter/Spring 2016 classes. The Marion Art Center is located at 80 Pleasant Street (main entrance is on Main Street) in Marion, MA 02738. For more information, please call 508-748-1266 or to register for any of the Winter/Spring 2016 classes on-line, visit the Marion Art Center website at www.marionartcenter.org and click on the "Classes" tab to follow the links to the registration forms.

Children's Theater Classes Winter/Spring 2016: MAC's goal is that young people develop their own unique creative voice, their imagination, and their understanding of drama and its role in society. We look forward to soaring with your young star as he/she experiences new adventures and challenges through our performing arts offerings and takes the next step as an actor and a person!

Little People's Theatre (ages 6-9): Tuesdays 4:30 - 5:30 pm; Instructor: Kim Teves; Tuition: Each six-week session is $80 for MAC members and $95 for non-members. Minimum of 5 students required for this class to run.

- Winter 2016 Session 2 LPT: February 23; March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

TriTown Happenings

A New Year's Eve party at the Rochester Senior Center gave area seniors the chance to ring in the New Year early in the company of friends. Guests enjoyed dinner and dessert followed by the sharing of New Year's resolutions and non-alcoholic bubbly. Balloons dropped from the ceiling at 1:30 pm after a symbolic countdown to the New Year, and guests made a ruckus with noisemakers to welcome 2016. Photos by Jean Perry

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- Spring 2016 Session LPT: April 5, 12, 26; May 3, 10, 17

Young People's Theater (Grades 4-8): Thursdays 4:00 - 5:30 pm; Instructor: Kim Teves; Tuition: Each eight-week session is $160 for MAC members and $175 for non-members. Minimum of 5 students required for this class to run.

- Spring 2016 Session YPT: March 24, 31; April 7, 14, 21; May 5, 12, 19

To register and pay on-line, go to www.marionartcenter.org and click on "Classes."

Saturday Morning Piano Lessons: Piano lessons for beginners and intermediates are offered on Saturday mornings, by appointment only, with instructor Donald Richard.

To reserve a lesson time, please call Donald Richard at 781-582-6273 or email him at don@javajiveband.com.

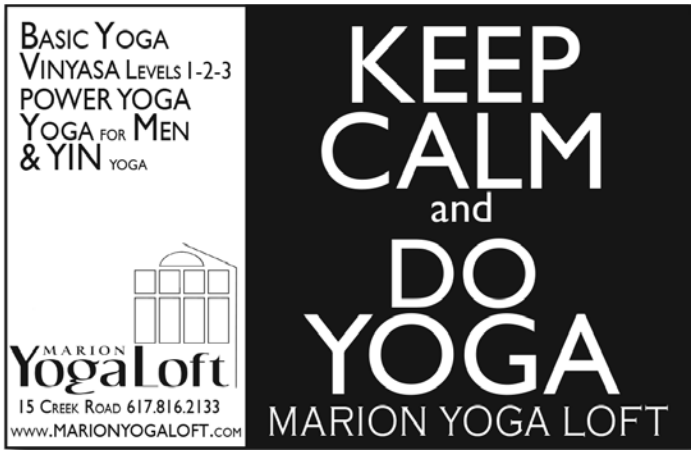
About the Instructor: Donald Richard earned his Bachelor of Music from University of Lowell and has been teaching private lessons on piano and trumpet since 1980. He has substituted in the Old Rochester Regional School District since 1999 and since 2003 has assisted with the Sippican Elementary School Annual Band Blast and other events.

Mattapoisett Christmas Tree Disposal

Christmas tree pick-up in the Town of Mattapoisett is scheduled for the two weeks between January 4 and January 15. Christmas trees should be placed curbside by 7:00 am on the day of your regularly-scheduled rubbish pick-up. Trees are also accepted at the Transfer Station on Tinkham Hill Rd. Trees in plastic bags or with ornaments will not be picked up. If you have any questions, please contact the Mattapoisett Highway Department at 508 758- 4181.

Watercolor Classes Offered By Mac

If you are looking for something to do during the winter months ahead and you've always wanted to learn to paint with watercolors, then the Marion Art Center located at 80 Pleasant Street in Marion, MA 02738 has just the courses for you! If you are a beginner and have never even picked up a brush, then the Watercolor Painting for Adult Beginners is a great place to start. If you are a little more advanced and want to explore the medium further, then the advanced course for adult painters will help you more fully develop your skills. For more information about registering for these classes, please visit the Marion Art Center website at www.marionartcenter.org. Click on the "Classes" tab and follow the links to the registration forms, or call 508-748-1266. The Marion Art Center is a not-for-profit organization that has been dedicated to the



TriTown Happenings

Making a Splash! Over 100 participants took the icy plunge into the frigid waters at Mattapoisett Town Beach on January 1 during the annual Freezin' for a Reason Polar Plunge on New Year's Day. Proceeds go to benefit the BAM Foundation, a local charity that fundraises to provide financial assistance to people who are facing cancer treatment. Photos by Colin Veitch

Elizabeth Lestage shared these photos from the Fort Phoenix Polar Plunge. The event was established in 2000 in memory of Nancy Schonheinz, a physical therapist who was the victim of domestic violence. Pictured here, the Teceno family from Middleboro who are fans of Star Wars and The Wanderer!

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Watercolor Painting for Adult Beginners - Part II

Thursdays, 10:00 am to noon
January 14 to March 10 (8 weeks)
Note: No class February 11
Tuition: $180 members / $195 non-members (supplies not included)
Instructor: Patricia White
Note: This course requires a minimum of 5 students to run.

This course is designed for people who would like to try watercolor painting but do not know where to start. Students will explore different techniques in a nurturing environment while working on the landscape, still life, figurative, and/or imaginative painting. Participants should bring to the first class whatever supplies they have on hand. Participation in Watercolor Part I is not a prerequisite to enroll in this class. All beginners are welcome.

About the Instructor: Patricia White is a painter and a Gallery Instructor Associate at the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston. She is past President of the Marion Art Center and the current President of the Bourne-Wareham Art Association. She studied Illustration and Realist Painting at the Boston Museum School of Fine Arts and has shown her work in numerous exhibitions in Massachusetts and Rhode Island, including the Marion Art Center, The Jonathan Bourne Library, The Wareham Library, Don's Art Shop of Warren, The Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, ArtWorks of New Bedford, the Annual BWAA Show and Sale, and the Gift Shop of The Cape Cod Museum of Art.

Watercolor Painting for Advanced Watercolor Painters (Adults)

Fridays, 10:00 am - noon
January 8 to February 26 (8 weeks)
Instructor: Jay Ryan
Tuition: $180 members / $195 non-members (supplies not included)

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Movie Review

Crazy Eights

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The Hateful Eight. **Starring Samuel L. Jackson and Kurt Russell. Directed by Quentin Tarantino. Running time: 167 minutes. MPAA rating: R.**

Quentin Tarantino's justifiably cocky new film *The Hateful Eight* unfolds on a wide, wide canvas -- enormously wide, epically wide. Yet most of the action plays out either inside a moving stagecoach or inside a tavern during a blizzard, and most of that action is talk -- ruminations about who can be trusted, or disquisitions on such topics as the ignominious last moments of a bounty hunter or the taste of stew relative to its maker. *This* stew certainly tastes like Tarantino cooked it, and viewers whose palate has adjusted to the loquacious maestro's style will sigh with pleasure. The hellfire-in-mahogany images (shot in 70mm Ultra Panavision by Robert Richardson) and knife-edge sound design ground us in a stark reality that Tarantino eventually gleefully stomps on.

The people onscreen may be hateful but the movie, like all Tarantino's films, is a work of love. The timbre of a seasoned actor's growl, the tactile thud of a gun hitting a wooden floor, the squeak of a heavy boot on a stagecoach step -- all of these elements get such adoring play that *The Hateful Eight* could almost be a radio play. But the sounds mix with the Jackson Pollock blood spatters and the white hell of snow-torn Wyoming and the chafing left on a woman's wrist by handcuffs. The woman, Daisy Domergue (Jennifer Jason Leigh), is being taken to the town of Red Rock by bounty hunter John Ruth (Kurt Russell), called "the Hangman" because he sees that all his prisoners dangle. Ruth wants to deliver Daisy alive, but he isn't above bashing her with a gun butt or an elbow.

Misogynist? Not the movie -- Tarantino hands the film to Jennifer Jason Leigh, who hungrily bites into the patented Tarantino Comeback Role. Daisy is as much a cackling agent of chaos as the Joker was, and in a way the harsh treatment of her is anti-sexist. I was reminded of the mobster in *Ghost Dog* who shot a female cop; when his partner blurts "You just shot a broad," the mobster ripostes, "I shot a *cop*. They wanna be equal, I made her equal," and so Daisy, who can take as well as mastermind hard punishment, is equal.

The same can't be said for black people, not in the movie's timeline some years after the Civil War, and not now, either, Tarantino is saying. Samuel L. Jackson's Major Marquis Warren (probably a nod to western writer/director Charles Marquis Warren) is a former Union soldier turned bounty hunter, a complicated and perhaps not very noble man, someone possibly as deformed by the racism of his time as Jackson's character Stephen was in *Django Unchained.* The "N-word" is, as in that prior racially charged Tarantino western, said maliciously or casually or merely descriptively, even by a Union veteran like John Ruth. The people in this movie aren't yet over the Civil War. Tarantino doesn't think we in the 21st century are, either.

Jackson's bitter gaiety in the face of white hypocrisy holds this long, strange trip together right up to the end, when heads are blown off, an arm hacked off, blood gushing and puddling on the floor. He's eventually matched by the great character actor Walton Goggins, whose Chris Mannix claims he's to be the new sheriff in Red Rock. We never find out for sure; perhaps Mannix is using his position to fuel his hatred the way Warren fuels his. The other actors -- including Tim Roth, Demian Bechir, Bruce Dern, and Michael Madsen, who's aging to look and sound like Nick Nolte -- are more two-dimensional, and give somewhat one-note performances, but their characters are conceived as pieces on a chessboard. Ruth, Daisy, Warren and Mannix take turns believing they can win the game, but in the end two opposite numbers on either side of the racial divide are united over shared contempt for lies -- life-saving ones as well as death-dealing ones. I don't know if *The Hateful Eight* has much to offer the uninitiated, but for me the worst news about Tarantino's gorgeous and gory "8th film" is that there are only, according to him, two more to go. I hope not.

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This course is a perfect "next step" for those who would like to explore watercolor painting beyond a basic understanding of color and brush strokes. Using the brilliant nature of light (and dark), we'll "push" the medium, adding other water media, brushes, and paper surfaces, and experiment with palette color mixing to capture magic and luminosity. In each class, we will start a new painting together using landscape, still life, the figure, abstract or imaginative thought, or narrative ideas as subjects. Each class will also provide a brief and supportive group "critique." Students will leave with expanded knowledge of technique and traditional and contemporary use of watercolor.

About the Instructor: Jay Ryan is a Fairhaven painter and a Gallery Instructor at the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston. A former K-12 public school art teacher and administrator, Jay has studied at Massachusetts College of Art, Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, and Framingham State and Lesley Universities. His work has been locally shown at the Judith Klein Gallery, ArtWorks! and Gallery X in New Bedford, and the Marion Art Center.

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Tri-Town Police Logs

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Log highlights Dec 27–Jan 2

- Cove St – Medical emergency
- Tucker Ln - Disturbance
- Mill St – Larceny/past
- Mill St – Follow up investigation
- Delano Rd – Gunshots reported
- Rebecca Dr – Larceny/past
- Village Dr - Disturbance
- Mill St – Follow up investigation
- Rebecca Dr – Follow up investigation
- Point Rd – Health/welfare
- Ichabod Ln – Medical emergency
- Mill St – Medical emergency
- Route 195 W – MV accident
- Spring St – Officer wanted
- Mill St – Medical emergency
- Spring St – Larceny/in progress/arrest
- Mill St – Medical emergency
- Village Dr – Abandoned MV
- Ichabod Ln - Fraud
- Spring St – Follow up investigation
- Front St - Escort
- Village Dr – Officer wanted
- Village Dr - Fraud
- Mill St – Vandalism/past
- Olde Knoll Rd – Follow up
- Nokomis Rd – Health/welfare
- Mill St – Officer wanted
- Village Dr – Noise complaint
- Delano Rd – Officer wanted

MATTAPOISETT

Log highlights Dec 27–Jan 2

- Wildwood Ter – Suspicious MV
- Jane Ln – Follow up investigation
- County Rd – Property returned
- Brandt Island Rd – Health/welfare
- Church St Ext – Health/welfare
- Marion Rd - Disturbance
- Martin Ave – Assist citizen
- Marion Rd – Follow up investigation
- Marion Rd – Property returned
- Marion Rd – Property returned
- County Rd – MV crash
- County Rd – MV crash
- Perkins Ln – MV lockout
- Chapel Rd – Abandoned MV
- County Rd – 911 call
- County Rd – Restraining order
- West Hill Rd – Restraining order
- County Rd – Follow up investigation
- Tallman St – MV lockout
- Eldorado Dr – Suspicious MV
- Ocean View Ave – Follow up
- Fairhaven Rd – MV lockout
- Cannon St – Ambulance request
- Quansett East Rd – Ambulance
- Main St – MV crash
- North St - Housecheck
- Brandt Island Rd – Health/welfare
- I195 West – Brush fire
- Church St – Medical assist

ROCHESTER

Log highlights Dec 27–Jan 2

- Mayflower Ln – Ambulance request
- Neck Rd – Noise complaint
- Dexter Ln – Assist other agency
- Mendell Rd – Restraining order
- Cushman Rd – Larceny/forgery/fraud
- North Ave – Officer wanted
- North Ave – Ambulance request
- Walnut Plain Rd – Ambulance request
- Dexter Ln – Officer wanted
- Cushman Rd – Assist citizen
- Sparrow Ln – Officer wanted
- New Bedford Rd – Ambulance
- Cushman Rd – Officer wanted
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- Marion Rd – Ambulance request
- Cushman Rd – Assist citizen
- Dexter Ln – Officer wanted
- Pierce St – Ambulance request
- Cushman Rd – Officer wanted
- Marion Rd – Ambulance request
- Hathaway Pond Cir – Ambulance
- New Bedford Rd – MV accident
- Marion Rd – Ambulance request
- North Ave – Ambulance request
- Marys Pond Rd - Vandalism
- Benson Rd – Civil complaint
- Braley Hill Rd – Message delivery
- Gerrish Rd – Offier wanted

For a full PDF of the three town's police logs from the past week, including arrest reports, visit www.Wanderer.com.

Regional Lunch Menus

COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday, Jan 11: BBQ pork patty, beans bonanza, garlic mashed potatoes, honey wheat bread, applesauce
Tuesday, Jan 12: Tossed salad w/ dressing, buttermilk chicken, red bliss potatoes, peas, whole wheat roll, strawberry cup
Wednesday, Jan 13: Tuna salad, pasta salad, coleslaw, white pita bread, fresh orange
Thursday, Jan 14: Roast turkey w/gravy, parsley mashed potatoes, winter squash, cranberry sauce, whole wheat bread, bread pudding, diet: diet pudding
Friday, Jan 15: Ziti w/meat sauce, green beans & mushrooms, snowflake roll, Mandarin oranges

CENTER SCHOOL

Monday, Jan 11: Homemade chicken soup, bosco sticks, green beans, fruit, milk
Tuesday, Jan 12: Shepards pie w/ corn, brown gravy, whole wheat dinner roll, fruit, milk
Wednesday, Jan 13: Stuffed crust pizza, fresh Caesar salad w/dressing, fruit, milk
Thursday, Jan 14: Meatball sub w/ shredded mozzarella, onion rings, green beans, fruit, milk
Friday, Jan 15: No school

OLD HAMMONDTOWN

Monday, Jan 11: Homemade chicken soup, bosco sticks, green beans, fruit, milk
Tuesday, Jan 12: Shepards pie w/ corn, brown gravy, whole wheat dinner roll, fruit, milk
Wednesday, Jan 13: Stuffed crust pizza, fresh Caesar salad w/dressing, fruit, milk
Thursday, Jan 14: Meatball sub w/ shredded mozzarella, onion rings, green beans, fruit, milk
Friday, Jan 15: No school

OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH

Monday, Jan 11: Steak & cheese sandwich, sautéed peppers & onions, cucumber slices, carrot & celery sticks, fruit, milk
Tuesday, Jan 12: Kale soup served w/cheese bosco sticks, carrot & celery sticks, fruit milk
Wednesday, Jan 13: Homemade chicken & broccoli alfredo, garlic bread, Caesar salad, fruit, milk
Thursday, Jan 14: Shepards pie w/ corn, brown gravy, whole wheat dinner roll, fruit, milk
Friday, Jan 15: No school

ROCHESTER MEMORIAL

Monday, Jan 11: Homemade chicken soup, bosco sticks, green beans, fruit, milk
Tuesday, Jan 12: Shepards pie w/ corn, brown gravy, whole wheat dinner roll, fruit, milk
Wednesday, Jan 13: Stuffed crust pizza, fresh Caesar salad w/dressing, fruit, milk
Thursday, Jan 14: Meatball sub w/ shredded mozzarella, onion rings, green beans, fruit, milk
Friday, Jan 15: No school

SIPPICAN SCHOOL

Monday, Jan 11: Homemade chicken soup, bosco sticks, green beans, fruit, milk
Tuesday, Jan 12: Shepards pie w/ corn, brown gravy, whole wheat dinner roll, fruit, milk
Wednesday, Jan 13: Stuffed crust pizza, fresh Caesar salad w/dressing, fruit, milk
Thursday, Jan 14: Meatball sub w/ shredded mozzarella, onion rings, green beans, fruit, milk
Friday, Jan 15: No school

OLD COLONY REGIONAL

Monday, Jan 11: General Tso chicken bowl & bread stick
Tuesday, Jan 12: Mozzarella sticks, sweet potato fries & bread
Wednesday, Jan 13: Early release – no lunch
Thursday, Jan 14: Spaghetti & meatballs, green beans & garlic bread
Friday, Jan 15: Stuffed crust pizza & garden salad

Sippican Woman's Club

The Sippican Woman's Club invites members and guests to an evening meeting on Thursday, **January 7** from 7:00 to 9:15 pm at Harriet's Outback, 7 Cottage Street, Marion.

Please join us for wine and cheese followed by a very brief business meeting followed by a 7:00 pm program "Going Beyond New Year's Resolutions" facilitated by Sabrina Woods, a career counselor and holistic career/life coach whose tagline is "finding meaning and making change." Days and weeks seem to move at an incredibly fast and often hectic pace. A blink and another year has managed to slip by. The beginning of a new year, however, is often a time to stop and think about the year ahead, occasionally making those famous New Year's resolutions. The goal for this program is to give you the space to go beyond a mere resolution, to take a deeper and more meaningful look at what really matters to you. In this session, you'll get the chance to think more deeply about what you might like to bring into your life in 2016.

Parking is available at the Landing Wharf parking lot. Pre-registration of guests is encouraged as programs often fill. Guests may RSVP to Info@SippicanWomansClub.org. There will be a $5 fee for non-members. Guests who become members may deduct the $5 fee from their dues.

For membership information, contact Jeanne Lake at 508-748-0619 or visit our website, www.sippicanwomansclub.org.

Whales, Tales and Sails Story Hour

Toddlers love to go places and have fun. New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park offers free, engaging activities each week at Whales, Tales and Sails. This free, one-hour story hour takes place each Friday morning beginning at 10:00 am. This weekly event features professional storyteller Jackson Gillman and includes stories, fingerplay, songs, and crafts at New

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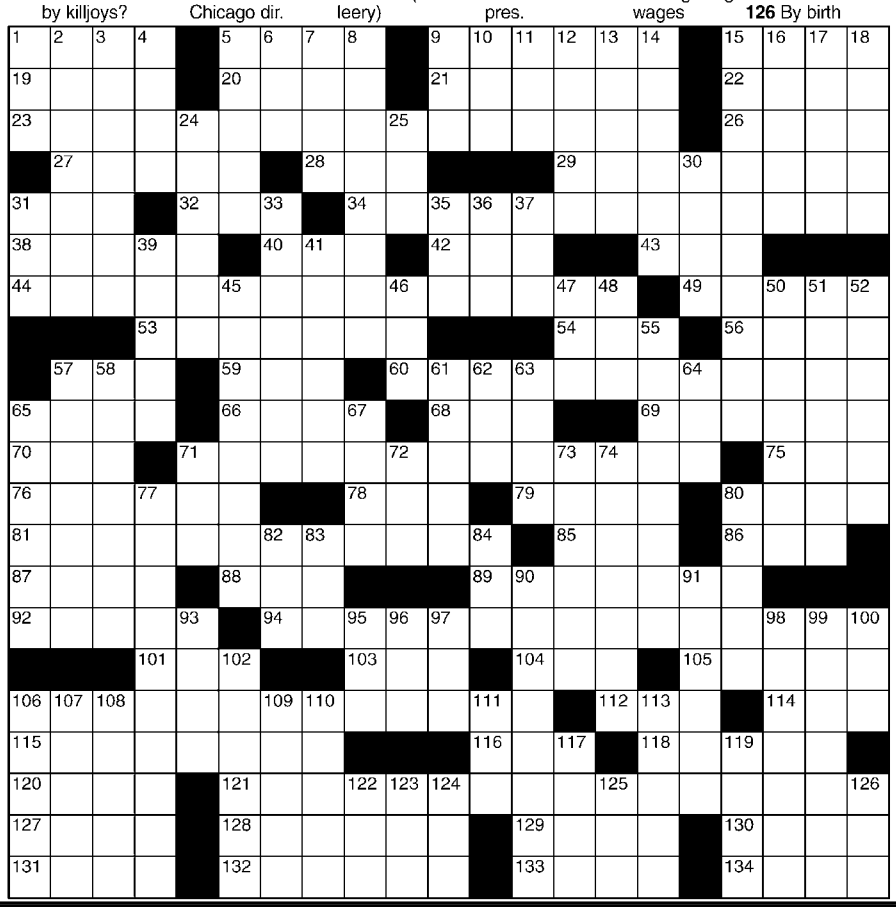
ACROSS
1 Laughing sound
5 Friends, in French
9 Black Sea port
15 Tick away
19 Univ. VIP
20 Not yet finalized, in law
21 Dorm-mate, e.g.
22 Yam, for one
23 Pulling a plug while at work?
26 Airport for Air France
27 "Old MacDonald" sequence
28 Part of NYC
29 Avoid booze
31 Rough amt.
32 Cat covering
34 Water balloon battles?
38 — boredom (endure extreme tedium)
40 Frazier's longtime foe
42 Waikiki neckwear
43 "That's neither here — there"
44 Unaffected by killjoys?
49 Strips (off)
53 Vehicles like Santa's
54 Rowing tool
56 Jai — (fronton sport)
57 Put in words
59 Avenues: Abbr.
60 Ancient valley where female spouses lived?
65 Brick haulers
66 Part of a full house
68 "If — told you once ..."
69 Symphony writer Mahler
70 Bear, in León
71 Decide against divorce?
75 Suffix with hero
76 Entice
78 Letter after sigma
79 Legitimate
80 Electrolysis atoms
81 Basketballer Rodman is a suitor?
85 Mr., in India
86 Houston-to-Chicago dir.
87 TV's "How — Your Mother"
88 Water, in Paris
89 Heavy bases under statues
92 Firma or cotta lead-in
94 Finish doing the dishes prior to going shopping?
101 Hand-talking syst.
103 Scot's cap
104 Above, to bards
105 Muscat citizen
106 Circus beast after tippling?
112 Maple syrup source
114 Fashionable
115 Singer of the 1969 #1 hit "Dizzy"
116 Conger, e.g.
118 Utter impulsively
120 "—, James!"
121 Twenty cents in change?
127 Straight — arrow
128 Barcelona's country, to its natives
129 Smell — (be leery)
130 Dialogue bit
131 Pad for a bird
132 Gold-medal gymnast Mary Lou
133 Light hits
134 Playwright William

DOWN
1 "Veep" airer
2 More than forgetfulness
3 Huge seller
4 Nagging pain
5 Pear type
6 "O Sole —"
7 13-digit publishing ID
8 Entrée go-with
9 "... boy — girl?"
10 "— amuse you?"
11 Just about forever
12 Singer Kate
13 Vigorous strength
14 Rhodes' sea
15 Scans for errors
16 Crucial artery
17 Sunny?
18 Elegance
24 Paris' — Tower
25 He defeated Mondale to become pres.
30 Like a rain forest's climate: Abbr.
31 Byrnes who was "Kookie"
33 New Jersey river
35 Letters after kays
36 Bottom-line
37 American spy org.
39 Windows or Linux, briefly
41 Goes by foot
45 Answer
46 Same: Prefix
47 "— did not!"
48 Final Hebrew letter
50 Great joy
51 Jack of fitness
52 Kitchen strainers
55 Kingly state
57 "I goofed ... big whoop!"
58 Prettifier
61 Mil. rank
62 Movie format
63 Dress up in
64 Prefix with mount
65 "Not so fast!"
67 Q followers
71 Half of MIV
72 Laughing sound
73 Hunger for
74 Ones getting wages
77 Snaring
80 As a recap
82 He's no gentleman
83 — Lady
84 Beach lotion abbr.
90 Observed
91 Hullabaloo
93 Pale-looking
95 Since Jan. 1
96 Taproom
97 Ostrich's kin
98 Persian Gulf country
99 Linking up
100 Pound sound
102 Pantry
106 Joel Coen's brother
107 Unfettered
108 Thompson and Watson
109 Cacophony
110 Entice
111 Beatty of film
113 Aids in crime
117 Old Italian money
119 Aptly named citrus fruit
122 Have a bite
123 "That's —" ("Ixnay")
124 East Indian flatbread
125 Hiking aid
126 By birth



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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A hectic period begins to wind down. Take time to draw some deep breaths and relax before getting into your next project. A long-absent family member makes contact.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You're eager to move forward with a new challenge that suddenly dropped in your lap. But you'd be wise to take this one step at a time to allow new developments to come through.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You're almost ready to make a commitment. A lingering doubt or two, however, should be resolved before you move ahead. An associate could provide important answers.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Caution is still the watchword as you move closer toward a decision about a new situation. If you act too fast, you might miss some vital warning signs. Go slowly and stay alert.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Your new goal looks promising, and your golden touch does much to enhance its prospects for success. In your private life, Cupid does his best to make your new relationship special.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) That impatient side of yours is looking to goad you into moving before you're ready to take that big step. Stay calm and cool. Let things fall into place before you act.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A legal matter you hoped could finally be settled could be a pesky problem for a while, until all the parties agree to stop disagreeing with each other. Be patient.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Partnerships -- personal or professional -- which began before the new year take on new importance. They also reveal some previously hidden risks. So be warned.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your associates are firmly on your side, and that persistent problem that has caused you to delay some activities should soon be resolved to your satisfaction.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Favorable changes continue to dominate, and you should be responding positively as they emerge. Someone wants to become more involved in what you're doing.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A friend wants to share a secret that could answer some questions you've wondered about for a long time. Meanwhile, travel aspects continue to be strong.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Stay on your new course despite so-called well-meaning efforts to discourage you. Rely on your deep sense of self-awareness to guide you to do what's right for you.

YOU BORN THIS WEEK: You have the capacity to meet challenges that others might find overwhelming, and turn them into successful ventures.

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Bedford Whaling National Historical Park's Corson Maritime Learning Center. Whales, Tales and Sails is geared for children ages 0-5. The park visitor center is located at 33 William Street in downtown New Bedford.

ORR Class of 1979 Alum

A reunion of the ORR class of 1979 is being planned for Saturday, **July 16** during Harbor Days weekend.

We are compiling a contact list. Please share your contact information or anyone you are in contact with from the class of '79 to Orrclassof1979@gmail.com or mail to DBW, P.O. 771, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. Please include your current name, name in 1979, email and mail address. For current updates, follow us on Facebook by joining the "Orr class of 1979" group.

Open Auditions Held at MAC

The Marion Art Center announces that it will hold open auditions for a production of J.B. Priestley's *Dangerous Corner*, a melodrama seeking three males, four females. *Dangerous Corner* is a fascinating combination of mystery play and psychological study.

Audition dates are **January 11 and 13** from 7:00 to 9:00 pm at the MAC Theater, 80 Pleasant Street, Marion. Production dates are April 1, 2, 3, 8 & 9. Call 508-748-1266 for more details.

Groundhog Cover Contest

The Wanderer is once again holding a Groundhog Day Cover Contest. The winner's artwork will appear on the cover of our January 28 issue. The winner will also receive a cash prize of $250.

Create an original work of art to be displayed on the cover of *The Wanderer*. Anything that can be displayed on the cover is acceptable: photos, drawings, paintings, etc.

Entries are due in *The Wanderer* office, 55 County Road, Mattapoisett by noon on **January 15**.

Remember, all artwork should be tall to best fit on our cover. All entries must include a signed copy of the Official Entry Form, which can be picked up at *The Wanderer* office or downloaded at www.wanderer.com.

Voting will start on **January 17** and will end at 8:00 pm on **January 25**. To vote, visit our web page at www.Wanderer.com. The winning artwork will be on the cover of our January 28, 2016 issue.

Everyone who votes will be entered to win a Wanderer Groundhog Gift Bag full of Wanderer, aardvark, and groundhog goodies.

Rochester Council on Aging Events

Fitness Room Is Up & Running: The Fitness Room is open and available for members to use. Become a member by paying $20 a month membership fee and use the equipment as many times as it is open in that month. The Fitness Room schedule is Mondays & Wednesdays, 8:00 - 11:00 am, and Fridays 1:00 - 4:00 pm. As membership grows, we will increase the number of times it will be available. A packet, with required registration forms to participate, is available for pick-up at the Senior Center Office at any time. Anyone is welcome to become a member. Call Tammy, group leader, at 508-763-8723 with any questions.

Old Colony Students Offer Computer Classes: The IT students will be here on Fridays, **January 8, 15, & 29** from 12:30 - 1:30 pm. Any senior who has computer-related questions or just wants to learn more about using a computer is welcome to come on down and meet the students!

The Friends of the Rochester Senior Center will hold their Annual Meeting on Wednesday, **January 13** at 10:15 am. The slate of officers for a new year will be voted on, and new fundraisers will be discussed. All Friends Members are welcome to attend.

The newly-formed **Book Club** will meet again on Tuesday, **January 19** at 10:15 am to review *Little Princes: One Man's Promise to Bring Home the Lost Children of Nepal*

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LEGAL NOTICES

TOWN OF MARION
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Marion Community Preservation Committee will hold a public hearing on Thursday, January 21, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the conference room at 13 Atlantis Drive, Marion. The purpose of the hearing is to review the 2016 Community Preservation Plan.

Randy Parker, Chairman 12/24, 1/7, 1/14

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN
LEGAL NOTICE

The Town of Mattapoisett, Office of the Selectmen, is seeking a qualified individual to work as a Part-Time Clerk for the Recreation Department. The position will be 12-18 hours per week. Applicants should have an Associate or Bachelor's degree in Business Administration or related field. Experience in administration, office management, secretarial and/or bookkeeping. Applicant should possess strong math and computer skills, fluent in Microsoft software, Excel, Access, Word and social media. Strong communication skills necessary. Rate of compensation will be $15.00 per hour.

Please send resume to Mattapoisett Town Hall, P.O. Box 435 Mattapoisett, MA 02739 Attn: Greta Fox

Deadline for application is January 15th, 2016. Please call Greta Fox at 508-758-4100 ext.231 with any questions regarding position. The Town of Mattapoisett is an Equal Opportunity Employer. 12/24, 1/7

TOWN OF MARION
BOARD OF HEALTH
LEGAL NOTICE

The Marion Board of Health will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, January 12, 2016 at 4:40 p.m. in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House on the variance request submitted by G.A.F. Engineering pertaining to the property located at 122 Register Road, further identified as Map 2, Lot 146/147.

The following variances are requested to Title 5 of the State Environmental Code and the Marion Sanitary Code Local Upgrade Approval:

310 CMR 15.104 Percolation Testing: To allow the use of a sieve analysis rather than an actual percolation test.

310 CMR 15.211(1) Distances: To allow the sewer pipe to cross the water service rather than the required 10' setback.

Albin R. Johnson III, Chairman 12/24, 1/7

TOWN OF MARION
BOARD OF HEALTH
LEGAL NOTICE

The Marion Board of Health will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, January 12, 2016 at 5 p.m. in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House on the variance request submitted by N. Douglas Schneider & Associates, Inc. pertaining to the property located at 16 River Road, further identified as Map 9, Lot 35.

The following variance is requested to Title 5 of the State Environmental Code:

310 CMR 15.211 Distances: To allow the leaching area setback to cellar wall to be 11 feet from the bulkhead and 15.7 feet from the cellar wall rather than the 20 foot requirement.

Albin R. Johnson III, Chairman 12/24, 1/7

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
POLICE DEPARTMENT
PUBLIC NOTICE

The Town of Rochester Police Department will be conducting Alcohol Compliance Checks throughout the year of all establishments holding liquor licenses. 1/7, 1/14

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT
LEGAL NOTICE

Fire hydrant flow testing on Wednesday, January 13 2016 between 9:00am and 11:00am by F.G. Lee's and Son plumbing will be conducting three fire hydrant flow test for the Village of Mattapoisett Condos at 52 County Road.

This test will temporarily cause discolored water and/or low pressure in some areas. Every effort will be made to minimize any inconvenience to the consumers. On the test day consumers should check the water prior to use. Your understanding and corporation is greatly appreciated. 1/7

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Notice is hereby given that the Mattapoisett Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on the following cases:

Application of F. David Jones, 309 Neck Road, Rochester, MA 02770.The applicant is seeking a Special Permit under Sections3.1.2.1, 3.1.2.2 and 3.1.2.3, as provided by Section 7.2.2 of the Zoning By-Laws to covert a preexisting non-conforming structure into a single family home. The property is further described as, 38 Fairhaven Road, Plot 10, Lot 146 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held at the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday January 21, 2016 at 6:00 P.M. Case #1342

Application of Nils Johnson, 23 Sagamore Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. The applicant is seeking a Commercial Special Permit under sections 3.1.2.2 and 3.1.2.3, as provided by Section 7.2.2 of the Zoning By-Laws to fix and expand an existing porch that is in dis repair. The property is further described as, 13 Water Street, Plot 9, Lot 105 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held at the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday January 21, 2016 at 6:15 P.M. Case #1343

Application of Fred & Caroline Kearns Schernecker, 245 Lee Street, Brookline, MA 02445. The applicant is seeking a Variance under section 6.4.1, as provided by Section 7.2.3 of the Zoning By-Laws to reduce required shape factor circle by 27 feet. The property is further described as, 1 Goodspeed Island, Plot10, Lot 29 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held at the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday January 21, 2016 at 6:30 P.M. Case #1344

Complete application and plans as filed are available for inspection in the Offices of the Town Clerk and Building Department during normal office hours. 1/7, 1/14

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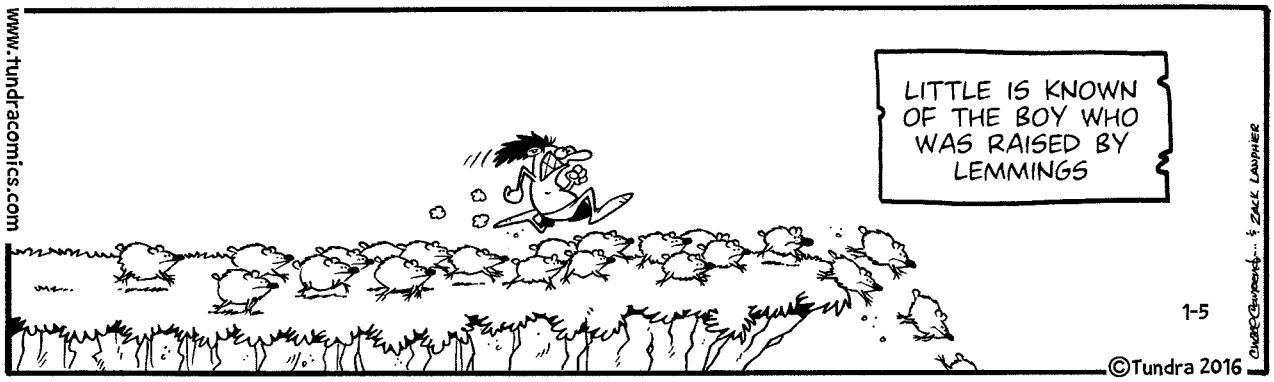
off the mark by Mark Parisi

Tundra by Chad Carpenter



by Conor Grennan. Free. Anyone is welcome.

Manicures Anyone? The Cosmetology Students from Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School will be offering free manicures and hand massages at the Senior Center to anyone who is interested on Tuesday, **January 19** from 10:15 - 11:15 am. Anyone is welcome to come. Come on down for a real treat!

January COA Day Trip: "Winter Wonderland of Orchids" Show, Hyannis on Saturday, **January 23**. Leave at 9:00 am; return at 4:00 pm; $10 admission; lunch nearby. Call the Senior Center at 508-763-8723 to reserve your spot.

"How to Eat Out the Healthy Way" Join Stephanie Boulay, Dietitian from Coastline, as she discusses "Eating Out" with us on Tuesday, **January 26** at 10:15 am. Please sign up in advance for this free program by calling 508-763-8723.

Monthly Programs at the Rochester Senior Center:
- The Pampered Chef Demo & Luncheon: Monday, **January 11**, 11:30 am & 12:00 pm; $4 suggested donation; pre-registration recommended.
- Soup & Sandwich Lunches: Mondays, 12:00 pm; $4 suggested donation; pre-registration recommended.

Weekly Classes/Programs at the Rochester Senior Center:
- Chair Yoga: Mondays, 1:00 - 2:00 pm; $3 suggested donation
- Busy Bees Craft Group: Thursdays, 9:00 - 11:30 am; Free
- Painters Group: Mondays, 9:30 am - 12:00 pm; Free
- Line Dancing: Tuesdays, 2:30 - 4:00 pm, Fridays, 9:30 - 11:00 am; $2 suggested donation per class
- BINGO: Wednesdays, 12:30 - 3:00 pm
- Stepping & Stretching Exercise Program: Tuesdays & Thursdays, 1:00 - 2:00 pm; $2 suggested donation per class
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By Fifi Rodriguez
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1. TELEVISION: What is “Jeopardy!” host Alex Trebek’s country of birth?
2. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a group of bacteria called?
3. SCIENCE: What is converted into alcohol during brewing?
4. PSYCHOLOGY: What is it called when someone has a phobia about touching money?
5. MUSIC: How many members are in the Mormon Tabernacle Choir?
6. MYTHOLOGY: What was the domain of the Roman goddess Trivia?
7. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What was Canada’s first national animal?
8. LANGUAGE: What does it mean to be flagitious?
9. ENTERTAINERS: What age did comedian Jack Benny always claim to be?
10. GEOGRAPHY: Where is the island of Alcatraz located?

PEARLS BEFORE SWINE
by Stephan Pastis

Answers
1. Canada
2. A culture or colony
3. Sugar
4. Chrematophobia
5. 360
6. Sorcery and witchcraft
7. The beaver
8. Wicked
9. 39
10. San Francisco Bay

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From the Marion Town Clerk

Marion Annual Street Listing 2016 (Census) forms were mailed out in December. Please complete the forms as soon as possible and drop them off at the Town House, 2 Spring Street, or mail them back in the enclosed envelope.

These census forms are very important for the town as State aid is based on the numbers returned. The Annual Street List is compiled from this information. No children under the age of 16 are placed in the street list; however, it is very important that children be noted on the census form for school and state purposes. Again, no children under the age of 16 are placed in the street list.

Dog licenses for 2016 are now available.

Please call the Town Clerk's office at 508-748-3502 with any questions you may have.

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We hope you will find time to join us in the new year for one or more of our upcoming programs: in January, Gerry Rooney will discuss his travels across the globe; in February, Liisa Budge-Johnson from the Plymouth County Sheriff's Department will talk about

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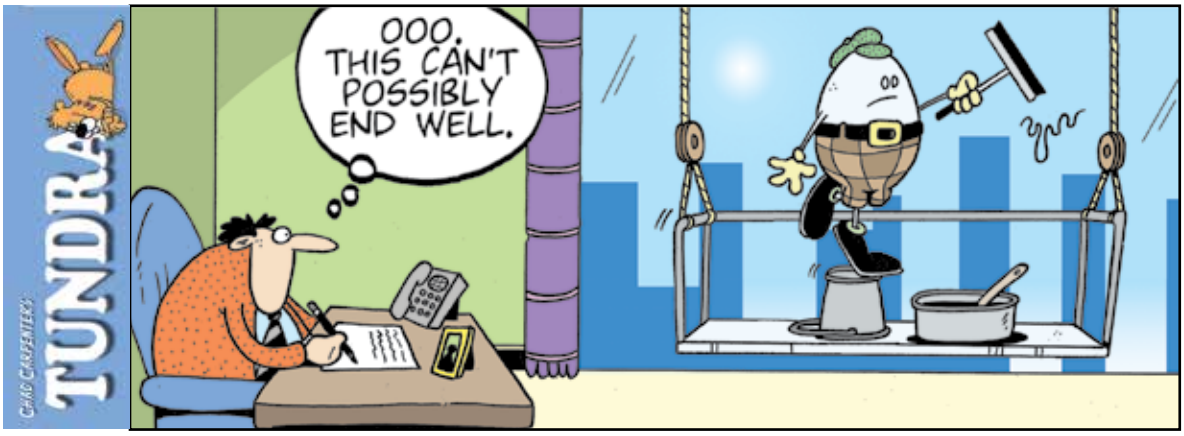
Brendan Foster	January 7
Jessica Fuller	January 7
Anne Johnson	January 8
Richie Gilbert	January 8
Liz Hathaway	January 9
Maris Hubbard	January 9
Tim Watterson	January 11
Amanda Fillio	January 12
Debbie Morrell	January 12
Jeannine Lola Duchaine	January 12
Andrew Duval	January 13

If you would like The Wanderer to announce a birthday for yourself, a friend or family member, please submit your information online to us at www.wanderer.com. To submit information by regular mail, please send the person's name (month and day) along with your name and phone number so we can confirm the information to Birthdays, c/o The Wanderer, P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. You may submit birthday announcements anytime during the year and they will be published/posted during the appropriate week.



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Plymouth County Corrections, Then and Now; and in March, Kathy Parsons, PhD will share interesting details about the Roseate Tern.

We wish you a healthy new year and look forward to seeing you on the third Thursday of the month at noon, Reynard Hall, Mattapoisett Congregational Church. For more information, please call Barb at 508-864-5213.

Adult Learners Thrive at the Mattapoisett Library

Adults who need to improve their reading and writing or learn more technical skills can now take advantage of free tutoring at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library. As part of an adult literacy program called A.L.L. (Adults Learn at the Library), tutors have been trained to provide free educational support for English language learning, basic reading and writing, and preparation for the high school equivalency exam now called the HiSet.

The program has been funded with a generous grant from the Phyllis W. McGillicuddy Charitable Trust, and Deena Kinsky serves as its coordinator. Deena brings a great deal of experience to the position. She meets with and trains tutors and works with adult learners to understand their learning goals. Out-of-school youth over the age of 16 are also encouraged to get assistance at the library with taking the high school equivalency exam. The program isn't intended to tutor students currently in school.

Tutors offer their expertise in a variety of areas, in addition to reading and writing. Support is available for studying for nursing and nursing assistance exams,

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If you or someone you know would like to learn more about working with a tutor, please call the library at 508-758-4171 or email Deena at 2learn2read@gmail.com. All inquiries are confidential and the services are free to anyone. The library is located at 7 Barstow Street in Mattapoisett and is open Tuesday through Sunday. Visit www.MattapoisettLibrary.org for more information about the library.

Friends of the Mattapoisett COA

Everyone is invited to join the Friends of the Mattapoisett Council on Aging, Inc., a 501(c)(3) nonprofit. The FMCoA serves as the fundraising arm of the Council on Aging. You can become a "Friend" and help out through your annual membership. Pick up the FMCoA membership application at the Senior Center or go online www.mattapoisett.net/friends-mattapoisett-coa-formerly-foe. Download the PDF-form (top-left menu item). Your membership will be valid through the end of 2016! For more information, contact Bob Kelley at 508-758-6311 or email r.kelley@ieee.org.

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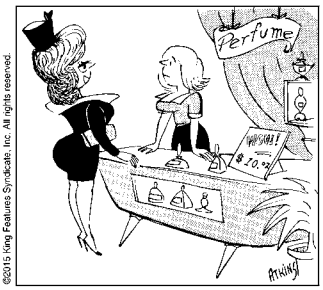

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by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

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Early Childhood Winter Playgroups

The Early Childhood Office will be hosting winter playgroups! Come and join the fun!

Our young toddler playgroup is open to children between the ages of 11 months through 3 years. Children will take part in many fun activities related to the season that will keep your little one busy. You will learn fun songs, finger plays, and will take home many great ideas to do with your toddler. This is an eight-week event running on Tuesday mornings, 9:30 - 11:00 am, January 5 through March 1.

Our preschool playgroup is open to 3- and 4-year olds. Explore socialization topics such as sharing, taking turns, cooperative play, etc. Each class session includes music and movement, free play, games, educational activities, story time, and snack. Children must be completely toilet trained in order to attend. This is an eight-week event running on Friday mornings, 9:00 - 10:15 am, January 8 through March 11.

Both playgroups meet at the Old Hammondtown School and cost $35 per family for the eight-week session. Registration is required. Please contact the Early Childhood Office at 508-748-1863 to register.

Volunteers Needed for Breakfast Program

Volunteers are desperately needed for the Rochester Council on Aging Breakfast Program. Do you have 3-4 hours to spare early on one morning of the week to commit to helping in the COA's very busy Breakfast Program? All of a sudden, due to illness, snow birds leaving for Florida, and other various reasons, we find ourselves short-staffed lately on any given morning. We need Dishwashers. We need Cooks. We need Waitresses. We need Substitutes. We need Worker Bees!!! So please consider being a part of this very successful and busy program, getting our customers off to a great start in the morning, and call Lorraine at 508-763-8723 to find out when you can start! Today, tomorrow, next week, next month, next year? No experience is necessary! We provide training. Please join us!

Old Rochester's Winter Farmers' Market

Come check out our second annual Old Rochester's Winter Farmers' Market. This year, the market will run every second and fourth Saturday of the month and will conclude on April 23. It will be held from 10:00 am - 1:00 pm at the Old Rochester Regional Junior High School inside the gymnasium. The winter market will have a variety of vendors including fresh local produce; grass-fed all-natural meats; fine dry-aged, grass-fed and pasture-raised angus beef; fresh local chicken; yogurts; breads; cheeses; honey; jams; soups; sauces; oils & vinegars; sweets and pastries; granola; pies; sweet and savory cinnamon rolls; alpaca wools; fresh coffee; natural foods and hummus; artisan crafts; and much, much more!!!

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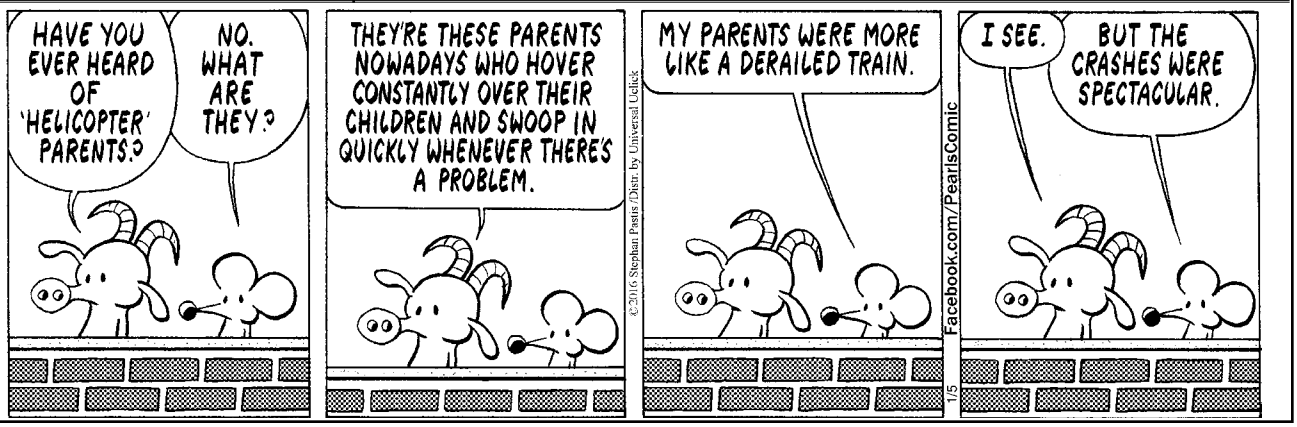

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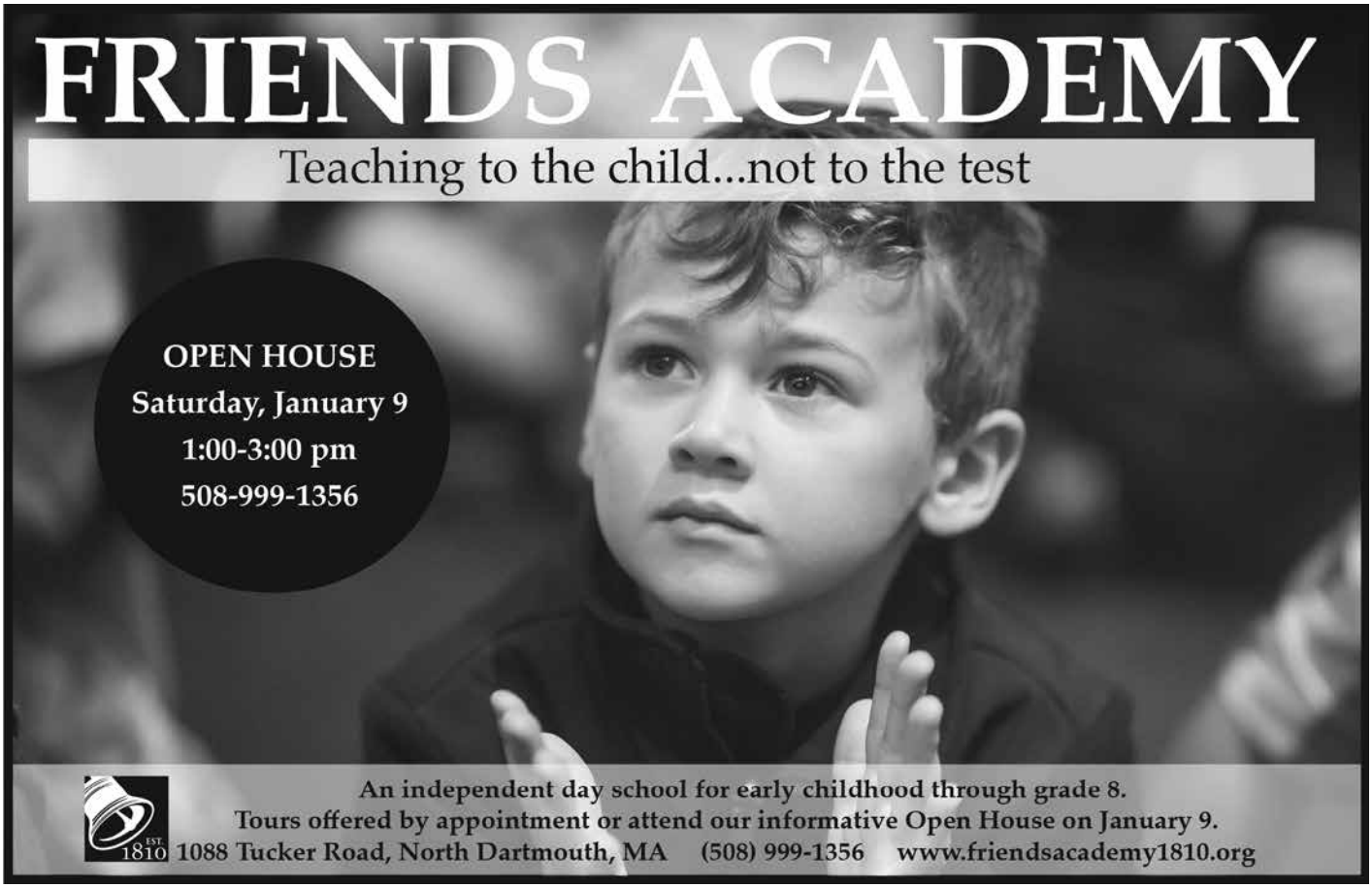

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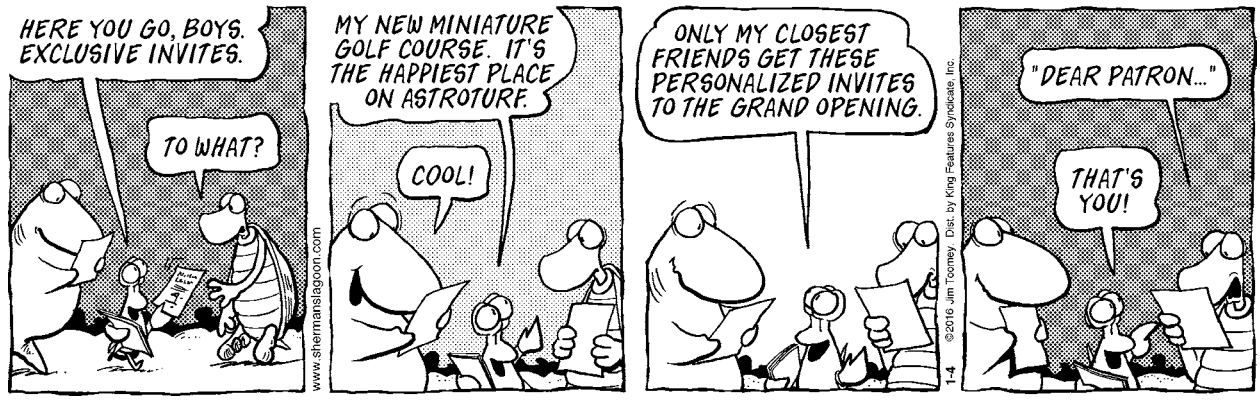

- Please arrange errands with the above schedule.
- Donations are appreciated.

Mailbox Sticker: If you have not picked up your mail in three days, the post office will notify the COA so we may do a well check. Call the COA for more info.

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- Step & Stretch: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:00 - 2:00 pm at the Rochester COA. Transportation provided.
- Senior Stretch: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays from 9:30 - 10:30 am at First Congregational Church hall. Sponsored by Friends of Marion visiting nurse. Ten-week sessions for $45. Sign up for one, two or three days.
- Low-impact Dance Aerobics: Mondays from 9:30 - 10:40 am, Fridays from 9:00 - 10:00 am at Atlantis Drive. Donation: $4.

Public Health Nurse: Nurse is available for health consultation, blood pressure and glucose monitoring, wound assessment and routine adult vaccinations on Mondays at Town House from 9:30 - 11:30 am. The nurse is available by appointment Tuesday - Friday.

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Fuel Assistance: Applications are available at the office. Please call to make an appointment.

FISH - Friends In Service Helping

Friends In Service Helping has been in operation in Mattapoisett since 1969. We provide rides to medical appointments for elderly residents who cannot drive anymore. We service Mattapoisett residents with transportation from their homes to Wareham, Marion, Fairhaven, New Bedford, and Dartmouth, as well as right here in Mattapoisett. Last year alone, we transported 301 residents!

Our town does not have public transportation. Our elderly residents are counting on FISH to get them to their medical appointments. We need more volunteer callers and drivers. We always work around your schedule when it is convenient for you! To find out more about your opportunity to be a FISH volunteer, please call FISH Coordinator Jacquie McGraw at 508-758-9278.

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28 Holmes Street NT Waterman, Mallory Y	Megan T Malachuk, Virginia F	28 Holmes St	Marion	12/11/2015	650000
Tripp, Tabitha L	Richardson, Barbara	11 Oak St	Marion	12/15/2015	270000
MSMF Property Grp LLC	Carrington Property Svcs	6 Aucoot Rd	Mattapoisett	12/15/2015	156000
Withers, Todd M Withers, Colleen A	Dinneen, Kathryn V	5 Neds Point Rd	Mattapoisett	12/15/2015	835000
Meadowatt LLC	Carney, Robert W Tripp, Catherine J	188 Marion Rd	Rochester	12/16/2015	225000
Vicino, Michaelj Vicino, Carrie S	Sherman FT Sherman, Brett D	357 North Ave	Rochester	12/14/2015	275000

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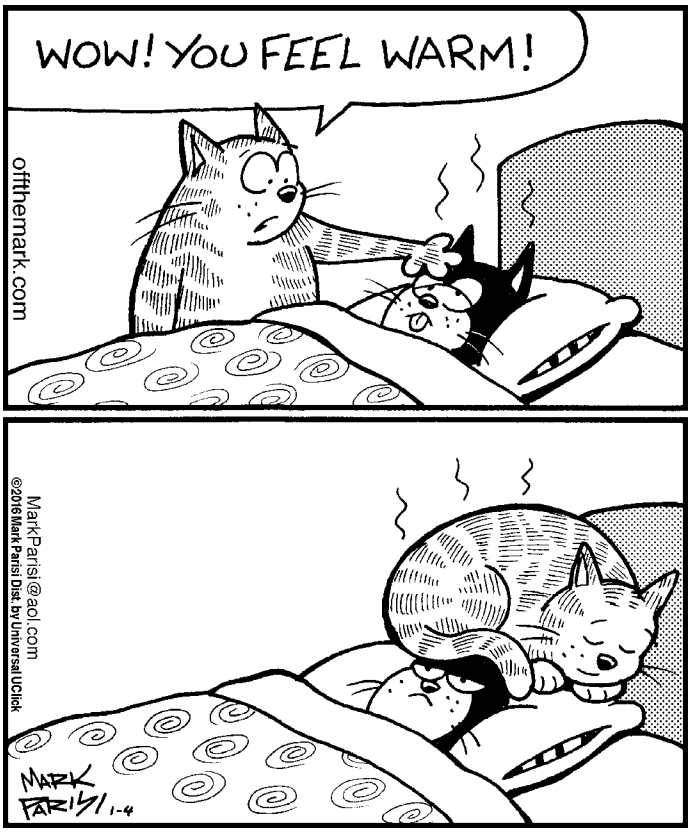

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Day	Date	High a.m.	High p.m.	Low a.m.	Low p.m.
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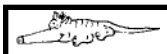
Friday	January 8:	6:23	6:43	. . .	12:35
Saturday	January 9:	7:05	7:26	12:20	1:16
Sunday	January 10:	7:48	8:11	1:03	1:56
Monday	January 11:	8:32	8:58	1:48	2:36
Tuesday	January 12:	9:19	9:46	2:34	3:15
Wednesday	January 13:	10:08	10:38	3:20	3:54
Thursday	January 14:	11:01	11:32	4:07	4:37
Friday	January 15:	11:56	. . .	5:00	5:25
Saturday	January 16:	12:29	12:53	6:03	6:21
Sunday	January 17:	1:27	1:52	7:40	7:27
Monday	January 18:	2:28	2:55	9:34	8:39
Tuesday	January 19:	3:33	4:01	10:40	9:46
Wednesday	January 20:	4:39	5:04	11:34	10:43
Thursday	January 21:	5:38	6:00	. . .	12:22
Friday	January 22:	6:30	6:50	12:01	1:05
Saturday	January 23:	7:18	7:37	12:18	1:42
Sunday	January 24:	8:02	8:22	1:03	2:12

Phases of the Moon		
	New Moon	January 9th
	First Quarter	January 16th
	Full Moon	January 23rd
	Last Quarter	January 31st



I Found the Aardvark!

Each week, hidden somewhere in the pages of *The Wanderer* is a tiny drawing of an aardvark. The little guy you are looking for looks exactly like the one pictured above (but don't put down this page as your answer, there's another one hidden somewhere in this issue).

Once you find the aardvark you can submit your answer online and if you are right you will get Aardvark Points! You can then use these points to get cool Aardvark Prizes!

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In the December 31, 2015 issue the Aardvark was on page 41!

PUZZLE ANSWERS

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SCRAMBLERS

solution

1. Limber; 2. Equal;
3. Covert; 4. Astute

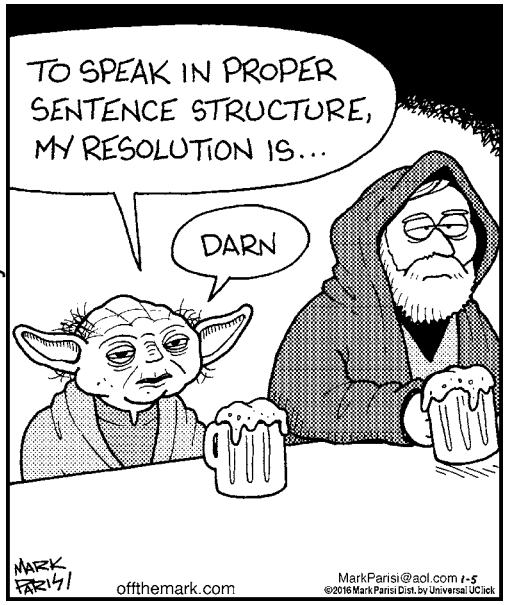
Today's Word

SMARTER

Sudoku Answer

3	6	8	5	1	7	2	9	4
4	7	2	3	9	6	1	5	8
9	1	5	4	8	2	6	7	3
1	3	4	6	2	9	5	8	7
2	8	9	7	3	5	4	6	1
6	5	7	1	4	8	3	2	9
7	4	6	8	5	3	9	1	2
5	2	1	9	7	4	8	3	6
8	9	3	2	6	1	7	4	5

off the mark by Mark Parisi



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